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- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Good morning, everyone.
- 4 ALL COUNSEL: Good morning, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Let's reconvene 9297.
- What's next?
- 7 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Schering-Plough calls James
- 8 O'Shaughnessy to the stand.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Did Mr. Carney have some
- 10 evidentiary matter?
- 11 MR. CURRAN: Yes, he's back at the office. We
- 12 figured we would bring that up with Your Honor either
- after the morning break or after the lunch break.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: That's fine.
- MR. CURRAN: Thank you.
- 16 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Raise your right hand, please.
- 17 Stand, please.
- 18 Whereupon--
- JAMES P. O'SHAUGHNESSY
- 20 a witness, called for examination, having been first
- 21 duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you, be seated.
- 23 State your full name, please.
- THE WITNESS: My name is James O'Shaughnessy,
- 25 spelled O'SHAUGHNESSY.

1 DIRECT EXAMINATION

- 2 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 3 Q. Mr. O'Shaughnessy, where are you presently
- 4 employed?
- 5 A. I am vice president and chief intellectual
- 6 property counsel for Rockwell International.
- 7 Q. And what is it that you actually do there at
- 8 Rockwell in that employment?
- 9 A. I am responsible for the company's intellectual
- 10 property, obtaining suitable intellectual property
- 11 protection for their innovations, if any, against
- 12 claims of infringement, and prosecuting claims of
- infringement as appropriate.
- 14 Q. Okay. And why were you hired by Rockwell?
- 15 A. I was formerly a partner at Foley & Lardner,
- and Rockwell was one of my clients, and the company,
- 17 during its transition from an aerospace and defense
- 18 company to a commercial concern, had found that it was
- 19 the subject of quite a number of patent infringement
- 20 lawsuits -- in the aggregate, about ten -- amounting to
- 21 what were a billion dollars in claims. The company
- 22 asked me to join to manage that litigation
- 23 successfully.
- Q. Is that your only employment at this time?
- 25 A. No, one of the arrangements I have with

- 1 Rockwell permits me to do some consulting and expert
- 2 witnessing, such as this case, but also to maintain in
- 3 a reduced role an ADR practice, alternative dispute
- 4 resolution practice. There are certain guidelines I
- 5 need to follow. So, for example, unlike most people in
- 6 the courtroom today, I'm on vacation.
- 7 Q. Can you explain a little more about what ADR
- 8 is?
- 9 A. ADR is an acronym for alternative dispute
- 10 resolution. It was popularized I think most by the CPR
- 11 Institute for Dispute Resolution, and their mantra is
- 12 alternative to litigation.
- Q. What was your employment before Rockwell?
- 14 A. Well, prior to that, as I said, I was a partner
- 15 at Foley & Lardner for about ten years.
- Q. And what was your specialty there?
- 17 A. Intellectual property. My practice engaged in
- 18 counseling, litigation and ADR.
- 19 Q. And before Foley & Lardner?
- 20 A. Prior to that, I was associate patent counsel
- 21 at Kimberly-Clark, and before that I had a number of
- jobs early in my career as a lawyer.
- 23 Q. And what's your educational background?
- 24 A. I was graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic
- 25 Institute with a Bachelor of Science degree, and then I

1 attended Georgetown University Law Center here in

- 2 Washington, D.C.
- 3 Q. And how many intellectual property cases have
- 4 you been involved in in your various roles?
- 5 A. Approximately 100.
- 6 Q. And what kind of cases were they?
- 7 A. The vast majority were intellectual property
- 8 cases, not all of them. Some were outside the scope of
- 9 technology disputes, but I'd say at least 80 of those
- were in the area of intellectual property, and most of
- 11 those intellectual property cases are patent cases.
- 12 Q. And you mentioned that you've done some
- 13 arbitrations?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. And could you explain what you do in these
- 16 arbitrations?
- 17 A. My arbitration practice has been divided
- 18 between some -- well, I guess the specific answer is I
- 19 adjudicate disputes, but through the CPR, I do a lot of
- 20 what's called ICANN arbitration, arbitration over
- internet domain names. I also serve as a permanent
- 22 member of a panel, an arbitration panel established by
- 23 AT&T and Bell South under the interconnect agreement
- 24 between those companies.
- Q. And what do you do on that panel?

1 A. It's a standing panel that was put in place by

- 2 those two companies in anticipation of any problems
- 3 they would have. Right now the panel, though
- 4 established, is dormant because there are no disputes
- 5 to be adjudicated.
- Q. You've told us you also act as mediator. Could
- 7 you tell us exactly what you do in your role as a
- 8 mediator?
- 9 A. In my mediation practice, my principal role is
- 10 to facilitate resolution of disputes between parties
- who are at least ostensibly committed to resolving
- their disputes, but it's a facilitative role.
- Q. And do you have any -- are you a member of any
- 14 professional organizations?
- 15 A. Throughout my career, I've been a member of
- 16 several organizations. Two in particular would be
- 17 relevant to today's proceedings. For about 20 years
- 18 I've been an active member of the Licensing Executives
- 19 Society, which is an association of about 5000 members.
- 20 The common interest is the licensing of technology and
- 21 technology transfers and the like. The membership is
- 22 approximately half lawyers and approximately half
- businessmen and women.
- The other would be the CPR Institute for
- 25 Dispute Resolution, which is an organization, again,

1 I've been active in for about 20 years. That is the --

- 2 I think the champion of ADR, as I described it earlier.
- 3 Q. And what roles do you participate in in these
- 4 organizations?
- 5 A. Both are relatively similar. In LES, I have
- 6 chaired a number of committees. In the area of ADR, I
- 7 have lectured both in workshops and in plenary sessions
- 8 to the members of the organization. In CPR, I have --
- 9 I'm trained as a mediator by CPR. I lecture at CPR
- 10 meetings and now help them train mediators from time to
- 11 time.
- 12 Q. And what sort of subjects are you lecturing in?
- 13 A. Primarily mediation, sometimes arbitration, but
- 14 usually mediation is what I consider to be the best
- 15 form of ADR.
- 16 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Okay, Your Honor, Schering
- 17 offers Mr. O'Shaughnessy as an expert in negotiation,
- 18 resolution of intellectual property and patent disputes
- 19 and litigation.
- 20 MS. CREIGHTON: No objection, Your Honor.
- MR. CURRAN: No objection, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Motion granted.
- BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Have you been retained as an expert in this
- 25 matter?

- 1 A. Yes, I have.
- 2 Q. And by whom?
- 3 A. Schering-Plough.
- 4 Q. And what was your assignment?
- 5 A. I was asked to evaluate and form an opinion on
- 6 three different subjects. The first was the settlement
- 7 of patent disputes in general and the use of extrinsic
- 8 value creation as a tool in the settlement of those
- 9 kinds of disputes.
- 10 Secondly, I was asked to study the expert
- 11 report of Professor Bresnahan and determine where I
- would disagree with his position on various issues.
- And thirdly, to offer my position, my thoughts
- on what might happen were the Commission to adopt some
- of the suggestions in Professor Bresnahan's report.
- 16 Q. Were you asked to review the entire record of
- this case to render your opinion?
- 18 A. No, not at all, no. Most of my position comes
- out of my own experience and not the record itself.
- Q. You mentioned patent disputes, so let's start
- 21 there.
- What is a patent?
- 23 A. Well, most fundamentally, a patent is the legal
- 24 right conferred by the Government on the owner to
- 25 exclude others from engaging in unauthorized activity,

1 such as making or using or selling the subject matter

- 2 for patent claims.
- Q. And you mentioned patent disputes, so let's go
- 4 right to that subject.
- In your experience, what goes through the minds
- of business managers when they're engaged in
- 7 intellectual property or patent litigation?
- 8 A. Well, the managers I know, it's usually, why
- 9 me? They view it as as welcome as a disease. It's not
- something that's normally within the scope of what they
- 11 do. They are not pleased by the need to engage in
- 12 patent infringement litigation. They understand it,
- whether by experience or vicariously, to be
- 14 time-consuming, to be expensive, to create a great
- degree of uncertainty in their planning, and they see
- even from a plaintiff's point of view nothing
- 17 particularly good can happen from it.
- 18 Q. You mentioned that it creates a great deal of
- 19 uncertainty in planning. How does the intellectual
- 20 property litigation do that?
- 21 A. Well, intellectual property litigation in
- 22 general tends to be somewhat more uncertain I think
- 23 than other types of litigation. I might mention, for
- example, that during the 1990s or the late 1990s, the
- 25 Federal Circuit had a reversal rate of about 50 percent

in whole or in part. So, even people who thought they

- 2 were really equipped to understand and be able to
- 3 predict the outcome of litigation had to step back and
- 4 wonder really what degree of certainty can we expect
- 5 here in the outcome of this litigation?
- 6 When you graph that then onto a business
- 7 planning process, things become even worse. Lawyers
- 8 may be equipped to understand and appreciate the
- 9 problems of uncertainty. Many business managers, while
- 10 I guess theoretically they can appreciate it, as a
- 11 practical matter, they deplore it. Their job is to
- 12 allocate scarce resources. Their job is to make a plan
- for the company that will endure over a period of time.
- When you add this extraordinary uncertainty,
- something they are not familiar with, it confounds the
- 16 decision-making process. It makes resource allocation
- 17 much more difficult, and because it's unfamiliar, they
- 18 don't like it.
- 19 Q. And so do they place a value on certainty?
- 20 A. Absolutely. I know from my mediation practice,
- 21 I've seen people make compromises in order to achieve
- 22 certainty. From my counseling in Rockwell, I know from
- 23 firsthand observation. I have heard executives say
- 24 that they will pay for certainty to avoid the
- 25 unpredictability in the outcome of patent litigation.

1 Q. Okay. How does it affect investment,

- 2 uncertainty?
- 3 A. Well, investments made under conditions of
- 4 certainty usually can be made more rationally, more
- 5 reasonably. One with a greater degree of
- 6 predictability can make a plan to invest in the
- 7 development of a new product, to develop the market for
- 8 that product, to engage in the investments necessary to
- 9 bring it to that market.
- 10 As soon as an extraordinary type of uncertainty
- 11 appears, now their planning is confounded, as I said.
- 12 It makes it more risky, and these are the kinds of
- risks that are just not within the ordinary ken of the
- 14 average businessman. They don't experience them.
- Q. Let's -- excuse me, I'm sorry. Let's put tab 1
- 16 up on the screen. This is the deposition of Martin
- 17 Fliesler. Could you tell us who Martin Fliesler is?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor -- I'm sorry, Mr.
- 19 O'Shaughnessy -- objection. Mr. Fliesler is an expert
- 20 who we had contemplated calling in rebuttal, but I have
- 21 informed counsel that we will not be. So, it's unclear
- what would be the basis on which Mr. O'Shaughnessy
- would be testifying about his anticipated testimony.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Yes, I was told this morning
- 25 that Mr. Fliesler will not be testifying, but the

1 expert opinion of Mr. Fliesler I think is relevant to

- 2 this proceeding. This is from his deposition, and
- 3 complaint counsel has been allowed to put in lots of
- 4 deposition testimony, and this is going to be
- 5 supportive of Mr. O'Shaughnessy's testimony, and in
- 6 other cases, Mr. O'Shaughnessy is going to be
- 7 explaining some of the points of Mr. Fliesler.
- 8 MS. CREIGHTON: Mr. Fliesler's testimony or
- 9 deposition was not something that we were notified
- would be something on which Mr. O'Shaughnessy would
- 11 rely. It's unclear that it -- that we have any
- 12 foundation that it's the kind of evidence on which an
- expert in Mr. O'Shaughnessy's field ordinarily would
- 14 rely in forming his expert opinion.
- 15 JUDGE CHAPPELL: What's it relevant for?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Excuse me?
- 17 JUDGE CHAPPELL: What is it relevant for?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: It is relevant to showing
- 19 that other experts having the same opinions as Mr.
- 20 O'Shaughnessy on this matter, and I think that is very
- 21 probative of Mr. O'Shaughnessy's opinion as well.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Is this something he relied on
- 23 to form his opinion?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No, his opinion was formed
- 25 before Mr. Fliesler was deposed. Mr. Fliesler was

- deposed and his report actually came in after Mr.
- 0'Shaughnessy's report was --
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Objection sustained. It's not
- 4 coming in.
- 5 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Are you familiar with the term "risk aversion"?
- 7 A. Yes, I am.
- 8 Q. And how would you define it?
- 9 A. I think classically "risk aversion" is defined
- 10 as -- or a "risk averse" person is defined as someone
- 11 who would be unwilling to take a reasonable bet. Where
- 12 I see risk aversion, it really is the obverse of the
- certainty that we just discussed. A person who strives
- 14 for certainty is less risk averse than someone who is
- more risk-neutral and risk-loving.
- 16 Q. In your experience, how common is risk aversion
- 17 or the preference for certainty among firms attempting
- 18 to settle intellectual property disputes?
- 19 A. In my mediation and settlement practice, I see
- 20 it all the time. It -- it is very evident, especially
- 21 when in a mediation you have a businessman or
- businesswoman present in the room. They're the ones
- 23 who really feel it, because they're the ones with the
- 24 P&L responsibility, but risk aversion is -- it's
- 25 palpable.

1 Q. And why specifically in intellectual property

- 2 disputes are firms risk averse?
- A. Well, risk aversion or risk profiles tend to
- 4 vary with a lot of factors, one of which would be the
- 5 sunk costs a party has in the investments that party
- 6 has made in developing a product, in developing a
- 7 market for the product and the means to deliver it.
- 8 These are all very expensive investments.
- 9 Moreover, when one makes such an investment and
- is relying on a stream of income from it, not only must
- 11 you recoup the investment and some premium for the
- 12 risk, large companies, such as Rockwell and others,
- 13 need that stream of income to fund continuing
- innovation. They need to be able to fund the failures
- 15 as well as the successes.
- 16 So, when there is so much reliance placed on
- 17 that stream of income in respect of a patent and
- 18 product in process, managers who are responsible for
- 19 that asset are understandably risk averse, at least in
- 20 my experience.
- Q. Well, if firms are risk averse, why don't they
- just go out and buy insurance?
- 23 A. We have looked at insurance in the field of
- 24 intellectual property and specifically patents, and
- 25 there are policies offered for those who wish to assert

- 1 a patent and other policies offered for those desiring
- 2 to defend against claims. Our analysis of all the
- 3 policies is that they are not commercially reasonable.
- 4 Q. Okay. Does risk aversion affect the range of
- 5 potential settlements in litigation?
- A. Yes, it does, and in fact, in a very predictive
- 7 way. The more risk averse a party, the more -- the
- 8 more it opens up other avenues for exploration for
- 9 settlement.
- 10 Q. I think you said at one point, so I think we
- 11 need to correct it, did you mean to say a person who
- 12 strives for certainty is less risk averse?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Okay. More risk averse, is that what you
- intended to say?
- 16 A. Yes, yes. Well, there's a direct correlation I
- 17 guess is what I meant to say. If I said it otherwise,
- 18 I misspoke.
- 19 Q. Who typically in your experience in mediation
- 20 and in other intellectual property disputes is -- among
- 21 the parties is more risk averse?
- 22 A. Usually but not always it's the patent holder.
- 23 It's the party that has relied on the patent system to
- shelter those investments I mentioned, and he's made
- often times very large investments in product

1 development, market development and the like. They

- 2 need to be able to recoup that investment, and they
- 3 require certainty, and with that certainty comes a
- 4 higher degree of risk aversion.
- 5 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, I'd like to move to
- 6 strike the previous question and answer. I don't
- 7 believe it's within the scope of Mr. O'Shaughnessy's
- 8 report.
- 9 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: That risk aversion isn't in
- 10 the scope of his report?
- MS. CREIGHTON: No, the patent holder is more
- 12 likely to be risk averse.
- 13 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: I don't -- I think that is
- well within the subject of risk aversion and how these
- disputes are, in fact, settled. I'm not sure the
- 16 specific sentence that -- as to who was more risk
- 17 averse, the patent holder or the other party, is in his
- 18 report, but it's well within the scope of his report on
- 19 risk aversion.
- 20 JUDGE CHAPPELL: So, his expert opinion or his
- 21 report that he submitted indicated he was going to
- 22 testify about risk aversion?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Oh, absolutely.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: And obviously about patents?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Yes.

- 1 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'll allow it.
- 2 Let me ask another question to clarify. This
- 3 Martin Fliesler?
- 4 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Fliesler, yes.
- 5 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Complaint counsel, was that
- 6 deposition admitted as an exhibit? Has that been
- 7 admitted?
- 8 MS. CREIGHTON: No, Your Honor.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- 10 You may continue.
- 11 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 12 O. You mentioned earlier that firms that have a
- preference for certainty or are risk averse are willing
- 14 to give up something to obtain that certainty. Why is
- 15 that?
- 16 A. Well, again, it goes back to this notion of
- 17 planning, the ability to plan with, you know, some
- degree of reliability on the outcome. Everybody
- 19 understands that there's no certain things in life, but
- 20 business managers who have to allocate resources are
- 21 familiar with certain types of risk, you know, the risk
- 22 that a product can't be developed within its
- 23 parameters, that it can't be made within the cost
- 24 specifications, that the market may reject it. All of
- 25 those things are within the ordinary scope of a

- 1 manager's experience and understanding.
- Where it comes to patent infringement
- 3 litigation, that kind of uncertainty is completely
- 4 unfamiliar. They want to -- they want to take that
- 5 kind of uncertainty out of the plan so that they can
- 6 get back to running the businesses.
- 7 Q. And how common is that in your experience?
- 8 A. It's -- it's endemic in the field of patent
- 9 infringement litigation. These are usually very
- 10 serious cases amounting to in some cases you bet your
- 11 life companies -- you bet your company cases. The
- 12 stakes are very high.
- Q. Let's go on to another subject.
- 14 How do the parties' world view of the
- 15 litigation, their business, et cetera, affect the
- 16 outcomes of settlements?
- 17 A. When parties come to negotiate, they, of
- 18 course, bring into the conference room their
- 19 understanding of the dispute. They know their position
- 20 very well. They have a fairly good understanding of
- 21 their adversary's position. In some cases, the parties
- 22 have some experience in negotiation. They may not have
- 23 negotiated the settlement of a patent case, but they
- have negotiated other transactions, and they bring into
- 25 the court or to the conference room that general sort

of set of experiences, you know, the experiences of --

- 2 the common experiences of life, I guess.
- 3 Along with that, they bring in, you know, their
- 4 normal fears and worries as well. So, for example, if
- 5 I could use a -- something that maybe everybody in the
- 6 courtroom is familiar with, the purchase and sale of a
- 7 car. You've heard the term "buyer's remorse." It's
- 8 something that really affects a lot of negotiations
- 9 over automobiles.
- 10 You know, you go ask the dealer, you know,
- 11 what's your best price and let me see the sticker.
- 12 You're always wondering, is that really the best price
- I can get and did he really pay the sticker price? And
- so people shop a lot. And they do it because they're
- worried that they are going to find after the
- 16 transaction that they could have got a better deal, or
- 17 worse yet, their neighbor's going to tell them what a
- better deal he or she got, and that's a form of buyer's
- 19 remorse.
- 20 It could be the same in the sale of a used car,
- 21 where the purchaser is wondering, well, does the dealer
- 22 really know about the defects in this car? Even if I
- 23 take it to my own mechanic, am I going to find out
- later it's a lemon, it's a bad deal? And again, it's
- 25 this notion of buyer's remorse. So, we're all familiar

1 with that kind of remorseful feeling, and people, when

- 2 they negotiate -- now back in the context of a patent
- 3 infringement litigation and the settlement of it --
- 4 they bring these kinds of experiences into that
- 5 negotiation with them, and they're worried that the
- 6 other side will have information on a matter of
- 7 consequence to the outcome that is superior to theirs
- 8 and that when the transaction is through, they're going
- 9 to be bested. Somehow they are going to get into that
- 10 win-lose posture that sometimes is talked about.
- And so people who lack the information on an
- issue of consequence usually dig their heels in and
- negotiate very hard, and it's something -- it's a
- 14 dynamic that's present in these kinds of negotiations
- and settlement, and it's something a mediator has to be
- 16 aware of if he or she is going to manage the parties to
- 17 a successful resolution of the dispute.
- 18 Q. What has been your experience regarding the
- 19 litigating parties' expectations concerning the
- 20 outcomes of litigation?
- 21 A. Well, I think you find litigating parties all
- over the map when it comes to their expectations, and
- 23 people have classified them in lots of different ways.
- 24 Professor Bresnahan had three classifications of
- 25 parties and their expectations being equally optimistic

- or I guess optimistic, pessimistic or overly
- 2 pessimistic and the equal assessment case, being his
- 3 three, and in my experience, I've seen two additional
- 4 categories.
- 5 Professor Bresnahan's overly optimistic
- 6 category is certainly true, but there are cases where
- 7 people are wildly optimistic, well beyond the normal
- 8 range of optimism, and that is not all that uncommon, I
- 9 believe. And then there's a last category that I've
- identified, and that's a party who's somewhat
- indifferent to the outcome, because they're using the
- 12 litigation for a specific person, they have a different
- 13 agenda. They are not indifferent to the process, but
- 14 they are indifferent to the outcome.
- I'd say most of the parties I see fall in the
- optimistic categories, either highly optimistic or
- 17 wildly optimistic, but there are others in the other
- 18 categories as well.
- 19 Q. Okay. How does over-optimism affect the
- 20 likelihood of settlement?
- 21 A. Well, over-optimism is at tension with risk
- 22 aversion. Risk aversion drives parties towards
- 23 settlement. They are willing to pay for that
- 24 certainty. Optimism or over-optimism tends to drive
- 25 them apart and create a wider gap in their positions,

1 their negotiating positions. So, the two are at odds.

- Q. Okay. Can firms engaged in intellectual
- 3 property litigation always come to a settlement when
- 4 they are over-optimistic and risk averse?
- 5 A. I think it depends on which predominates.
- 6 If -- if a firm is more over-optimistic than risk
- 7 averse, then probably not. If risk aversion still is
- 8 the predominant factor underlying the negotiation, then
- 9 it's possible, but the two are in tension, and it's not
- 10 possible to tell from just those two descriptions as to
- 11 what the likely outcome will be.
- 12 Q. Okay. Well, let's talk a little more about
- outcomes of trial. Let's go to tab 5. This is
- testimony of Professor Bresnahan, and if you go to
- 15 1163, line 23, then going on to the next page in 5, let
- 16 me read that, and this was cross examination by Mr.
- Nields.
- 18 "QUESTION: The outcome of that trial is going
- 19 to depend namely, isn't it, on the intrinsic merits of
- 20 the case?
- 21 "ANSWER: Yes, though it may also depend on the
- 22 parties' behavior in it, which is why I said not
- 23 necessarily.
- 24 "QUESTION: And it's going to depend,
- 25 therefore, on the evidence that's presented and the

- 1 relevant law, correct?
- 2 "ANSWER: Yes."
- 3 Do you agree with Professor Bresnahan?
- A. Yes, I do. I think, you know, the merits are
- 5 something that always inform the judgment of the
- 6 parties in settlement. Certainly the merits will
- 7 inform the outcome if litigation is conducted. And as
- 8 I said earlier, the combination of these factors, not
- 9 any one of them in isolation, can create a great deal
- 10 of uncertainty.
- 11 The merits are the merits, but then we have the
- 12 Federal Circuit with a 50 percent reversal rate. So,
- 13 the merits are very important but have to be kept in
- 14 the proper context.
- 15 Q. Are there a set of reasons -- we talked earlier
- 16 about the fact that you can't always come to a
- 17 settlement. Are there a set of reasons that you think
- about about why firms can't always settle litigations?
- 19 A. Well, as I said earlier, there may be
- 20 inadequate risk aversion, too great a degree of
- 21 optimism. There may be too much time, there may be not
- 22 enough time. There may be no one there to catalyze the
- 23 settlement.
- As a mediator, I've often been envious of a
- 25 judge who can twist some arms. All I have is the sense

- of moral persuasion to convince them it's in their best
- 2 interests to settle, but if you can't bring them
- 3 together at the right time, then a settlement on that
- 4 day is just not possible.
- 5 Q. In your role as a mediator, what would you do
- 6 at this point in order to attempt to achieve
- 7 settlement?
- 8 A. Let me kind of set the stage for you so that
- 9 you picture in your mind's eye what's really going on
- 10 here. You know, keep in mind, you have two parties who
- are in litigation, and litigation has been likened by
- 12 some writers to war. This is an enemy of my company.
- 13 I think perhaps it's an extreme analogy, but
- 14 nevertheless, there is a real sense of animosity, maybe
- not hatred, but truly animosity in the room.
- 16 These are people trying to harm my business. I
- 17 have the better case. They should just see that and go
- 18 away. And as the mediator or the settlement agent is
- 19 trying to bring them closer together, concessions are
- 20 easily made at the outset, but the parties' positions
- 21 tend to rigidify at some point in the negotiation, and
- there's a gap between them.
- 23 A skilled mediator will recognize that -- you
- don't want to push the parties beyond that, because now
- you're bringing into the dynamic the sense of

1 capitulation, and people don't like to capitulate. It

- 2 may be a sense that, you know, I've given up enough,
- 3 I'm not going to move another inch, a sense of pride.
- 4 It may be, you know, millions for defense, not a penny
- 5 for tribute.
- There are a lot of human emotions that people
- 7 bring into that negotiating session that get them to
- 8 the point where they say I'm not going to bend another
- 9 inch, and for a mediator to push further is
- 10 counter-productive.
- So, now, when you recognize that the parties
- 12 are about as close as they're going to get on their --
- 13 under these circumstances, you take in essence an
- 14 excursion from the dispute. Now we're asking these
- people who had that animosity, who have this really
- 16 contentious problem between them that may affect the
- 17 livelihoods of a lot of people and the welfare of the
- 18 company, to put that aside, to not think about it, to
- 19 defocus from it and to go off into another -- another
- 20 place in their mind, so to speak, and now begin to work
- 21 collaboratively to work develop some extrinsic value to
- 22 bridge that gap.
- You know, the -- I'm not a psychologist, but I
- see an awful lot of psychology played out in these
- 25 kinds of settings, and you're asking people to be

- 1 creative, to be imaginative, and at times I've asked
- 2 them even to be playful in what they think about and
- 3 how they might be able to find an opportunity to
- 4 develop value outside the dispute, defocusing from the
- 5 dispute, because that will impede their ability to be
- 6 creative, but nevertheless, focus on an opportunity to
- develop a new relationship, maybe customer-supplier,
- 8 licensor-licensee, form an alliance, but somehow enter
- 9 into a relationship outside the dispute which has value
- in a very creative sense.
- And then when they're through, if they're able
- 12 to do so -- and customarily, if people work hard, they
- 13 can find these extrinsic values -- then import that
- back into the dispute and find a way to bridge the gap
- in the positions. Now you have a global settlement of
- 16 that dispute.
- 17 So, that's the environment in which a mediator,
- whether it be a magistrate judge or a commercial
- 19 mediator, operates. That's the dynamic.
- 20 Q. Okay. What would happen if some rule of law
- 21 chilled the extrinsic value-creating process? How
- 22 would that affect the prospects of settlement in the
- 23 matters you've been involved with?
- A. Well, I find that in at least half the cases
- 25 that I have been involved in, extrinsic value creation

- 1 has been absolutely essential to get to done, and what
- 2 I mean by get to done, there's -- Fisher and Ury from
- 3 Harvard wrote a wonderful little book called Getting to
- 4 Yes. It's a great book, and they have written a lot
- 5 more since then, but the notion of Getting to Yes is
- 6 yes, I will. What's more important to me is getting to
- 7 done, which is yes, I have.
- 8 If extrinsic value creation is taken out of the
- 9 repertoire of the mediator, then at least in my
- 10 experience, half of the settlements that I got through
- I could not have achieved at all. I don't know about
- 12 how the dynamics would play out in other cases, but
- certainly it would have a profound and negative impact
- on my practice and I believe the practice of other
- 15 mediators.
- 16 Q. In your settlement mediation practice, can you
- 17 tell us how you specifically go about attempting to
- achieve settlement, what kinds of techniques you use?
- 19 A. Well, first we recognize there's a gap -- if
- 20 there weren't a gap, they would have settled -- and
- 21 somehow we have to bridge it, and the idea is not --
- you don't need to over-create a lot of extra value.
- 23 Keep in mind that there's a central dispute which is
- the real problem. You're trying to bridge a gap with
- 25 this mediation.

So, the first thing I look around for, either

- 2 if I'm the party or if I'm the mediator I will comport
- 3 the parties to look around for, is something to trade.
- 4 What do you already own that you could trade to the
- 5 other party that would have sufficient value to them to
- 6 permit them to settle the main dispute? If you don't
- 7 already own something you can trade, how easy would it
- 8 be to acquire something to trade? And there are a lot
- 9 of examples of that.
- 10 Companies -- Micron Technology is one that
- 11 comes to mind, has when they have been engaged in
- 12 patent infringement disputes sought to purchase
- intellectual property rights from third parties that
- they can use to bridge the gap in positions, but they
- do it in a way where they can leverage, that the
- 16 purchase price of the property to trade is less than
- 17 the value of the gap. So, purchasing rights to trade.
- In some cases, I -- in my own company, we've
- 19 created value that we can trade, intellectual property
- 20 value that we know would be of value to the other side.
- 21 So, however you look at it, the first thing is what can
- I trade? Very common, I think most mediators will go
- 23 there in the first instance.
- Beyond that, it becomes part of this creative
- 25 process I mentioned earlier, to be imaginative in

1 trying to find values, especially values where the two

- 2 parties might view something in somewhat different
- 3 lights, where one party can create something that costs
- 4 it very little but it has greater value to the
- 5 recipient.
- 6 So, in some cases, one in particular that I
- 7 mention in my report, they created some script that
- 8 then could be used for the purchase of product. This
- 9 was a patent infringement litigation that had gone on
- 10 for a long time. There was an awful lot of animosity.
- 11 There was a lot at stake. And the basic concept there
- 12 was to convert the plaintiff patent owner into a
- 13 customer of the defendant patent infringer but to do so
- in a way that allowed both of them to realize value.
- So, the infringer in that case issued a large
- 16 quantity of script to be used by the plaintiff to
- 17 purchase the infringer's product, but there was an
- limit on how it could be used, and in that case it was
- 19 not just the use of a script but the use of a script
- 20 plus money in order to purchase the product, which
- 21 guaranteed to the seller not its normal profit margin
- but at least they weren't selling at a loss. They
- 23 still obtained some profit.
- Also, the script couldn't be used for 100
- 25 percent of the requirements of that party. So, there

- 1 would be additional purchases at full value. But it
- 2 became a balancing of creating value in a commercial
- 3 transaction.
- I've used a stock bridge to get the two parties
- 5 who are facing a gap in their positions and not willing
- 6 to concede any further, and in that case one party who
- 7 had a stock that was rising in the stock market
- 8 contributed about half the value in stock of the amount
- 9 of the gap with the guarantee that within a year that
- 10 stock would be equivalent to the full value of the gap.
- 11 It allowed the capital markets to supply what the
- 12 parties didn't want to supply themselves.
- And we go on with a lot of examples, but I
- quess the point of this is simply that one needs to be
- imaginative, one needs to be creative and not just stop
- when the parties say I can't settle, even though
- 17 there's a gap in our positions, and go through some --
- in the first instance some predictable ways of creating
- 19 value, and then when that doesn't work, some more
- 20 creative ways of creating value, but extrinsic value
- 21 creation is the objective goal here.
- Q. Well, if it's value creating, extrinsic value
- 23 creation, why don't the parties just do the extrinsic
- value-creating deal separately and just keep
- 25 litigating?

1 A. I would like you to repicture in your mind's

- 2 eye what I described to you earlier, a lot of
- 3 hostility, you know, people who are not getting along
- 4 together, and now you've asked them to take a journey
- 5 away from a dispute which has gone on perhaps for years
- 6 and try to find a valuable relationship between them
- 7 outside the source of that dispute.
- Now, the reason they're doing it is to settle
- 9 the dispute. They're not off trying to become friends.
- 10 You can't delink them. They live together. They are
- interdependent. They are multiple components of the
- 12 same transaction. It fundamentally makes no sense.
- 13 It's illogical to me to think about just doing the
- extrinsic deal, then going back and litigating.
- Some of these situations require a lot of
- 16 cooperation between the parties. I'll give you an
- 17 example from just ten days ago, a successful mediation
- 18 after two years of a dispute that I on behalf of my
- 19 company had with another party over patent
- 20 infringement. It was not in litigation, but we settled
- 21 with the aid of a mediator from JAMS who helped us
- 22 narrow the gap and then helped us find some extrinsic
- 23 value.
- In that case the extrinsic value was found in
- an OEM relationship between the parties and an

- 1 opportunity they have -- their products are
- 2 complimentary products -- to do some co-selling. Well,
- 3 if you are going to take the OEM relationship and the
- 4 co-selling and try to pursue that at the same time the
- 5 parties are engaged in a rancorous dispute, it's
- 6 unlikely that's going to happen. You can't delink
- 7 them.
- 8 It might be that there's a payment of money
- 9 involved, and if you're going to delink them, what you
- 10 end up doing, in effect, one party is funding the other
- 11 party's attack on its company. It's making it more
- 12 able to continue the litigation. These are all kinds
- of dysfunctional approaches to resolution as opposed to
- 14 things that promote a sound resolution of a problem, an
- 15 enduring resolution of the problem.
- 16 Q. So, why don't parties just forget about
- 17 extrinsic value-creating deals and just keep
- 18 litigating?
- 19 A. Well, for the reason I mentioned earlier, that
- 20 it may require them just to capitulate, and very few
- 21 parties at the end of the day are willing to
- 22 capitulate. It would take an enormous amount of risk
- 23 aversion and a real failure in optimism before you get
- a party to do that, and that just doesn't happen.
- 25 Q. Are you familiar with the term "win-win"

- 1 propositions?
- 2 A. Yes, I am.
- 3 Q. And what does that mean?
- 4 A. Well, it's now I think in the vernacular. It
- 5 refers to a transaction where both parties are able to
- 6 walk away from the transaction believing that it has
- 7 great value to them and appropriate equal value, to be
- 8 contrasted from win-lose, which perhaps a few decades
- 9 ago was the way a lot of people negotiated, you know,
- 10 how they could engage in some -- you know, if not sharp
- 11 practice, you know, at least one upsmanship on the
- 12 other side, and the literature showed over a period of
- 13 time that those kinds of deals really were -- there was
- 14 a false sense of a win there, because the party in the
- posture of the loser, especially if there was a
- 16 relationship, customer and supplier relationship, would
- feel so bad about the outcome that it would destroy the
- 18 relationship.
- 19 Then, of course, there are the lose-lose
- 20 relationships, which we rarely see because there's
- 21 nothing in it for anybody, but there's a large
- literature that's been written over the years on this
- 23 whole concept of win-win or creative problem solving
- 24 some call it.
- 25 Q. Can a branded patent holder win in a settlement

- 1 with a generic in a patent litigation without delaying
- 2 the entry of the generic?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor, lacks
- 4 foundation. I don't know that we've established this
- 5 expert has any experience in Hatch-Waxman cases or
- 6 pharmaceutical cases for that matter.
- 7 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, I'll ask the question
- 8 another way, then.
- 9 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 10 Q. I mean, in general, when you have a patent
- 11 holder in the market, in the matters in which you've
- 12 been experienced, can you have a win situation without
- throwing the other guy out of the market?
- 14 A. Surely, and in fact, I mean, I guess -- I guess
- I couldn't put figures on how common it is, but it's
- 16 common enough, you know, there are a lot of times when
- 17 people will sort of split up the rights of a patent, if
- I could use that term, and in fact, I've engaged in
- 19 those kinds of patent-splitting arrangements, so that,
- for example, you might divide a patent along
- 21 territorial lines. It used to be more common than it
- 22 is today.
- 23 More common now is dividing a patent along
- 24 fields of use. It may be that the other party can
- 25 address a certain market sector that's important to it

- 1 without unduly interfering with the position of the
- 2 other party. So, a field of use is not a bad way to
- 3 think about splitting a patent and allowing the party
- 4 to win, if you will.
- 5 Another common approach in my experience is
- 6 performance, so that, for example, in a hypothetical,
- 7 because I don't want to give a real example that would
- 8 give away the parties, say you had a microprocessor.
- 9 It may be that you can sell a microprocessor up to a
- 10 gigahertz but not above using this patented technology,
- 11 and so performance characteristics become a
- discriminating factor, and indeed, you could mix and
- 13 match. It's performance characteristics under a
- 14 gigahertz and under a field of use of only personal
- 15 computers. So, you can begin to divide up and split up
- 16 the rights amongst the parties. It could be you can
- 17 implement this technology in hardware but not software.
- So, there are a lot of ways that the patent
- 19 owner can protect its position and the infringer can
- 20 still be accorded some rights that ultimately amount to
- 21 a win, a win for both.
- Q. Let's turn to tab 14, and this is testimony of
- 23 Professor Bresnahan again, and we're at 526 of the
- 24 record at line 19, and I'm going to read that until
- 25 line 1 of the next page.

1 "QUESTION: Professor, why did you conclude

- 2 that the payment in the settlement between Upsher and
- 3 Schering was made for delay?
- 4 "ANSWER: There are a number of bases for that.
- 5 The -- we begin with the substantial incentives of the
- 6 parties to delay in such a way and the contract between
- 7 them which links payment to an entry date, that's the
- 8 beginning."
- 9 We know you're not an antitrust lawyer, so I'm
- 10 only asking you a question about your fields of
- 11 competence.
- 12 In your experience in patent negotiation, do
- parties try to obey the law in the context of
- 14 settlement?
- 15 A. I'd say uniformly. I in my experience have
- 16 never seen a situation where the parties were not
- mindful of the law and their need to adhere to the law.
- MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor, I'd move
- 19 to strike. This seems to be beyond the scope of this
- 20 witness' expertise as to whether or not companies obey
- 21 the law. That's something that is either -- a common
- 22 experience to all lawyers and people in the legal
- 23 profession but certainly not something that I would say
- 24 which Mr. O'Shaughnessy has expertise in.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, two points, Your Honor.

- 1 First, I asked him for an answer within his field of
- 2 expertise, and two, I'm asking him in his position as
- 3 a -- as a mediator, when he's -- when people are, for
- 4 example, told that something's illegal, what do they
- 5 then do? So, I think this is specifically within his
- 6 two fields of expertise.
- 7 MS. CREIGHTON: There's also been no foundation
- 8 laid, Your Honor, that that, in fact, has ever come up
- 9 in Mr. O'Shaughnessy's mediation practice or that the
- 10 parties would tell him about what their thought
- 11 processes are in the event that it does.
- 12 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Professor Bresnahan has given
- 13 an incentive that -- given a -- has basically argued
- 14 that people who have incentives to break the law will
- break the law. Mr. O'Shaughnessy's experience about
- 16 whether that's, in fact, true through his mediation
- 17 process is within his fields of expertise, I think is
- 18 very relevant.
- 19 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'll overrule it to the --
- 20 I'll overrule the portion beyond the scope of his
- 21 expertise, because the question limited it to his
- 22 fields of competence; however, I'm sustaining it to the
- 23 extent it asks him do people try to do something to the
- 24 extent it's calling for him to tell me the intent of
- 25 the parties. He can tell me what he knows. Thank you.

- 1 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Why don't you explain what you know.
- 3 A. Let me approach it this way: When mediating,
- 4 as I said, you take people on this excursion for
- 5 extrinsic value creation. You've asked them to be
- 6 creative, and you've asked them to be imaginative, and
- 7 sometimes I've even asked them to be playful in the way
- 8 they think about how do you create value outside the
- 9 scope of this dispute.
- They are businessmen and businesswomen involved
- in the process, and they take this very seriously, and
- 12 there are times when, in their imagination or in their
- efforts to be creative, they step over the line of
- 14 what's legal. So, they might say, well, could we do
- this or could we do that, or I have an idea, let's do
- 16 it this way, and they're counseled, no, you can't do
- 17 that. That would be illegal. And the answer is, oh,
- 18 okay. Well, let's try something else.
- So, they're -- when you ask people to be
- 20 creative without the bounds of legality around it, they
- 21 may come to a point where they dream up a potential
- transaction which just can't be implemented lawfully.
- In my experience, whenever that's happened, people have
- 24 backed off when they've been told you can't do it.
- 25 Q. You mentioned earlier that you -- that you and

- other mediators and judges try to exert pressure on
- 2 people to settle. How do you exert pressure on people
- 3 to settle?
- A. Well, as a judge, it's a lot easier I have to
- 5 say. There's a lot of arm twisting, at least
- 6 potentially. As a mediator, you're really trying to
- 7 bring the people together in a consensual process, but
- 8 there still is a sense of pressure that you can create.
- 9 Again, go back to that picture I tried to paint
- 10 for you. You've taken people outside the scope of the
- dispute, and you're telling them you now have a chance
- 12 to settle this case. There's a pressure to do so. The
- mediation may have gone on for a day or two. People
- 14 have started to have an investment in the process.
- 15 There may be some real momentum forming toward a
- 16 resolution. They really want to settle in most cases.
- 17 Now you galvanize that pressure in a particular
- 18 way. Don't lose the moment. It's sort of like the
- 19 fourth quarter in an NBA game, you know, the clock is
- 20 ticking, and the closer we get to the end, the more the
- 21 pressure is to win here, and to win here is finding a
- 22 way to get to done, and so you want to galvanize that
- 23 investment and galvanize the pressure, continue adding
- the pressure to it and tell them you've got to come up
- 25 with a solution to this. If you don't do it now, you

1 will lose it, because that dispute that we put aside

- 2 isn't static.
- 3 The positions that we established just earlier
- 4 today or yesterday in this hypothetical won't remain
- 5 the same. They will change. This is your one chance
- 6 to seize that opportunity, get it, strike while the
- 7 iron is hot. There is no time for a lot of analysis.
- 8 There is no time for, you know, endless due diligence.
- 9 The idea is come up with a solution to this problem now
- 10 and bridge that gap.
- 11 And if you do it -- if you Knute Rockne them so
- 12 to speak, you can get to done.
- Q. Okay, let's go to tab 17. This is more
- 14 testimony from Professor Bresnahan, and I will read
- this testimony. It starts at 1021 of the record, goes
- 16 from line 7 to line 23.
- 17 "QUESTION: Now, let's say life isn't so simple
- and the parties say we want one global deal tonight and
- 19 we want to get this settled. Are you telling me that
- 20 Schering-Plough needs to do some kind of ordinary
- 21 course of business assessment of the licensing in order
- to be safe with this valuation calculation, sir?
- 23 "ANSWER: In order to be safe? The -- I
- 24 would -- you asked me this question in deposition, and
- 25 I answered it as I just answered it. If you wanted to

- 1 be safe, the thing to do would be break the linkage.
- 2 "QUESTION: So, can you sitting here today tell
- 3 me of one transaction that Upsher-Smith and
- 4 Schering-Plough could have entered into in a single,
- 5 global transaction that would have, you know, readily
- 6 satisfied the Bresnahan test, in one, single,
- 7 integrated agreement?
- 8 "ANSWER: No, I can't. If it -- if it had both
- 9 of the elements in it, no."
- 10 If the FTC were to adopt the Bresnahan
- approach, how would that affect the settlement process?
- 12 MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor insofar
- as we haven't established a foundation that Mr.
- 0'Shaughnessy knows what the reference is to the two
- 15 elements that Professor Bresnahan referred to in his
- 16 answer.
- 17 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Sustained.
- 18 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Where were the two elements
- in this answer?
- 20 MS. CREIGHTON: "If it had both of the elements
- 21 in it, no."
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'm sustaining it, Counselor,
- because you're asking him to apply tests that I don't
- 24 know he knows yet.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, I --

- 1 JUDGE CHAPPELL: So, you need a foundation.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, I can have him answer,
- 3 Your Honor, based on the first question and answer,
- 4 which goes to line 16, if that's the problem.
- 5 JUDGE CHAPPELL: You're asking him a
- 6 hypothetical or a question based on the Bresnahan
- 7 approach.
- 8 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Yes.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'm not allowing it unless you
- show me that he knows what the Bresnahan approach is.
- 11 Is that clear?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Okay -- oh, okay, now I
- 13 understand. I'm sorry.
- 14 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Proceed.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: I'm sorry, Your Honor.
- BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 17 Q. Can you tell us your understanding of the
- 18 Bresnahan approach?
- A. Well, as it's related to the testimony you just
- 20 read, one is that one needs to engage in customary due
- 21 diligence in the extrinsic value creation transaction.
- 22 Secondly, that the two can be delinked, that if -- if
- 23 it's a worthy transaction in the scope of settling the
- 24 dispute, it's equally worthy outside the scope of the
- 25 dispute. That's what I understand this to mean.

- Q. Well, whether it's the Bresnahan approach or
- 2 not, that understanding, if that were the case, how
- 3 would that affect settlements?
- 4 A. It either would make most settlements difficult
- or impossible to achieve. Together, it would -- I
- 6 think it would damn most settlements. I don't think
- 7 you could reach a settlement with those conditions
- 8 imposed.
- 9 Q. And why is that?
- 10 A. Well, there is this pressure to settle. In
- 11 this extrinsic value-creating deal, you're relying on
- 12 the pressure to settle and the desire of the parties to
- 13 resolve their dispute. To put together a value-bearing
- transaction that is adequate to bridge the gap in their
- positions -- keep in mind, the big problem is really
- 16 big. This outside deal may be relatively small in
- 17 comparison to it.
- There isn't time to stop and do a lot of due
- 19 diligence. If you were to stop and lose the momentum
- 20 of settlement, there's no quarantee that when you come
- 21 back in weeks or months later that those two positions
- are still going to have the same momentum. Things
- 23 happen in litigation. It moves on. It ebbs and flows.
- The parties may become more polarized, not less
- 25 polarized over that time.

1 Now you have got a value-creating transaction

- 2 which you've worked very hard on, you've done your due
- diligence, and what you find is now it's inadequate to
- fill the gap that has grown. So, that's one reason.
- 5 MS. CREIGHTON: I'm sorry, Mr. O'Shaughnessy,
- 6 excuse me.
- 7 I didn't think that -- necessarily that the
- 8 question called for it, but to the extent that Mr.
- 9 O'Shaughnessy's testifying about the necessity for due
- 10 diligence in the context of settlement, that is not
- within the scope of his report of his proffered
- 12 testimony. So, I would object on that ground, Your
- 13 Honor.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, I think Mr.
- O'Shaughnessy was talking about the time pressures of
- 16 getting these things done, and that was the context of
- this, and, you know, those pressures were all part of
- 18 his report.
- 19 JUDGE CHAPPELL: So, he is not testifying as a
- 20 due diligence expert?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Then it's sustained, but
- effectively there is no harm. We're not accepting this
- 24 as a due diligence expert.
- 25 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, I don't believe

- 1 that the issue of the practicality of entering into a
- 2 settlement now versus over a period of time was within
- 3 the scope of his testimony either, whether specifically
- 4 for the purposes of due diligence or otherwise. So, I
- 5 would object on that ground as well.
- 6 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, as I said, all I'm --
- 7 you know, all Mr. O'Shaughnessy is talking about is the
- 8 time pressures of settlement and how to get to yes in a
- 9 short period of time, and so that's clearly within the
- 10 context of his report. It was all about how to do that
- 11 through extrinsic value creation.
- 12 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'll allow it. Go ahead.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Okay.
- 14 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. What is your understanding of a reverse
- 16 payment?
- 17 A. Well, the only understanding I have of it is in
- 18 the context of this case, and it's net cash
- 19 consideration flowing from the patent holder to the
- 20 infringer is the working definition I've been using.
- Q. So, now, going back to the issue of settling
- deals with extrinsic transactions without reverse
- 23 payments, couldn't part -- and -- couldn't parties
- 24 continue to do such settlements with extrinsic value
- 25 creation just by establishing that there was no reverse

- 1 payment in the extrinsic value creation?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor. As I
- 3 think the witness indicated in his previous answer, he
- 4 has no experience with settlements involving reverse
- 5 payments, so I don't think he has any basis to
- 6 speculate on what would happen in a case where a
- 7 reverse payment was offered but, in fact, was not
- 8 pursued.
- 9 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, I think actually what
- 10 I'm saying is, I'm talking about doing extrinsic value
- 11 creation without a reverse payment. That was the
- 12 premise of the question, not that there is reverse
- payment in the -- in the hypothetical I've offered.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: So, do you want to restate the
- 15 question?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: I can say it again.
- 17 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Going back to the issue of settling deals with
- 19 extrinsic transactions without reverse payments,
- 20 couldn't parties continue to do such settlements by
- just -- by just establishing that there was no reverse
- 22 payment in the extrinsic transaction?
- 23 MS. CREIGHTON: And I object again, Your Honor,
- 24 because the witness has no experience with settlements
- 25 involving reverse payments. I don't know that he could

- 1 testify as to what --
- THE WITNESS: I may have misspoken if that's
- 3 the impression I gave you. I don't want to jump in --
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Well, if the objection is for
- 5 lack of foundation, I'll sustain it. I think we need
- 6 to clarify whether or not he knows anything about
- 7 reverse payments. If he doesn't, then let's not ask
- 8 him about them, okay?
- 9 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Okay, okay.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Proceed.
- 11 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 12 Q. Could you tell us what you understand about
- 13 reverse payments in your experience?
- 14 A. Yes, and I hope I haven't misled the attorney
- 15 here. I am using a definition which I understand
- 16 within the context of this case. I never talked about
- 17 reverse payments. I've never used that terminology.
- So, I'm trying to be consistent with what everybody
- 19 else in the courtroom understands it to be, which is a
- 20 net flow of cash from the patent holder to the
- infringer. It's not that I haven't seen them, but I've
- 22 never used that terminology.
- Now, if you would ask your question again --
- and I hope I haven't confused people with my answer.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, have we

1 established enough of a foundation to go forward with

- 2 this question?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 4 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Okay.
- 5 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 6 Q. Let me ask the question again.
- 7 Going back to the issue of settling deals with
- 8 extrinsic transactions without reverse payment,
- 9 couldn't parties continue to do such settlements by
- just proving to the FTC that there was no reverse
- 11 payment in the extrinsic transaction?
- 12 A. I think the answer theoretically is yes and
- practically no, and here's the practical problem. When
- I have a patent litigation, if I'm the party in the
- sense of I'm representing my company or if I'm an
- outside counsel or if I'm a mediator, the parties know
- 17 an awful lot about their dispute. They've spent
- 18 perhaps years with it. In some cases, unfortunately,
- may have spent millions of dollars to get to the point
- of understanding their case, its strengths and
- 21 weaknesses, the other side's case and its strengths and
- 22 weaknesses.
- 23 They have come together out of a desire to
- 24 settle, and they have an exquisite knowledge about that
- 25 subject matter. Now they're going to enter into an

1 extrinsic value-creating transaction, and they're going

- 2 to have to handicap the likelihood that they could
- 3 convince the FTC or some other tribunal that there is
- 4 no net payment. They may not understand exactly how
- 5 that's going to be done. They may not understand the
- 6 quality of proof necessary.
- 7 It may be that while they have a belief that if
- 8 they're really risk averse, they're going to say, you
- 9 know, risk aversion drove me to want to settle, but now
- 10 I'm so risk averse that the problem handed to me about
- proving that there's no net payment keeps me from
- 12 settling the case. So, it's a practical problem more
- than a theoretical problem. It's a problem of proof
- and a problem of perception and a new source of
- 15 uncertainty.
- 16 Q. Let me ask you some hypothetical questions
- about what would happen under the following
- 18 circumstances to your ability to settle disputes.
- 19 Suppose a brand name company told you that the generic
- 20 had asked for money and the brand name told you that it
- 21 said loudly and clearly no money. Would you think you
- 22 could facilitate a settlement using extrinsic
- 23 transaction under the approach Professor Bresnahan has
- 24 taken?
- A. No, I couldn't.

- 1 Q. And why is that?
- 2 A. Not any longer. The fact is that -- again, I
- 3 want to take you back in your mind's eye, I keep going
- 4 back to that same hypothetical. I have asked parties
- 5 to be creative and think about lots of things. I
- 6 goaded them into saying something about money, but now,
- 7 as soon as they have, under this test, once -- you
- 8 can't unring the bell, because now, as soon as that
- 9 becomes an issue, even if the other party says no,
- 10 there will be a perception, because it was asked for,
- 11 it was granted.
- 12 As a mediator, I couldn't in good faith pursue
- 13 the settlement further. I couldn't lead the parties to
- 14 a resolution of their problem, because as I say, you
- 15 can't unring the bell.
- 16 Q. Okay. Suppose the brand name company told you
- 17 that it evaluated potential extrinsic value-creating
- transactions and that the analysts had told you that
- 19 the brand name -- told the brand name that it was a
- 20 good deal -- let me read that again.
- 21 Suppose the brand name company told you that it
- 22 evaluated a potential extrinsic value-creating
- 23 transaction and an analyst had told the company that it
- 24 was a good deal, would that solve the problem? Could
- 25 you go forward with the extrinsic value creation?

- 1 A. Not under the theory of the case as I
- 2 understand it from complaint counsel, because I believe
- 3 that's what happened here.
- Q. Okay. Suppose the brand name company told you
- 5 that its analyst had said it was a good deal but it
- 6 normally engages in more extensive due diligence, how
- 7 would that affect your actions as a mediator?
- 8 A. Not at all. Not at all. I still have the same
- 9 problem. I -- it would be unsafe, to use somebody
- 10 else's words, to proceed further with the settlement
- 11 once that had been broached.
- 12 Q. Okay. Well, so, what's the problem? Are
- 13 settlements a good thing?
- 14 A. I think settlements aren't just a good thing,
- they're an essential thing. There are literally
- hundreds of thousands of cases filed in courts in the
- 17 United States every year. The system is set up not
- 18 just to foster settlement, but it's reliant on it. The
- 19 system would gridlock if we didn't have settlements.
- 20 They are absolutely essential.
- 21 Q. What kind of costs does it add to the court
- 22 system?
- A. Well, there's all the social costs that people
- 24 talk about. It's well documented. You know, the cost
- 25 that I see that really drives me in my decision making,

for every dollar spent in R&D, about 27 cents is spent

- 2 in patent litigation. I don't know about elasticity,
- 3 I'm not an economist.
- 4 What I do know is that if you get rid of
- 5 settlements, that 27 cents goes up and the dollar goes
- 6 down. There's less money available for innovation and
- 7 more money gets sucked into the litigation process.
- 8 So, for this economy to work well, settlements are
- 9 essential, especially patent settlements.
- 10 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No further questions, Your
- Honor.
- 12 MR. CURRAN: Nothing from Upsher, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Cross?
- 14 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 15 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- Q. Good morning, Mr. O'Shaughnessy.
- 17 A. Good morning.
- 18 Q. Nice to see you again.
- Mr. O'Shaughnessy, you have never negotiated
- 20 the resolution of a dispute in a Hatch-Waxman case,
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- 23 Q. And you've never been involved in a
- Hatch-Waxman case as a party either, have you?
- 25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. The only patent case involving pharmaceuticals

- 2 that you've had any experience with was over 20 years
- 3 ago and involved Sensodyne Toothpaste, correct?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. You don't consider yourself an expert in
- 6 Hatch-Waxman cases or the pharmaceutical industry,
- 7 correct?
- 8 A. I do not.
- 9 Q. You have no idea whether payments by the patent
- 10 holder to the infringer arise in one out of two
- Hatch-Waxman settlements or one out of a thousand,
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 Q. You've been involved in about 50 to 60 patent
- cases as either a party or a neutral. Is that correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- Q. In all of those cases, you're not aware of any
- case settling in which the patent holder paid the
- infringer a cash payment up front at the time of
- 20 settlement, correct?
- 21 A. A patent --
- Q. Would you like me to reread the question?
- 23 A. Yes, I'm thinking through the question.
- I believe that's correct, yes.
- 25 Q. A rule that prohibited such reverse payments

- 1 would only affect a few settlements, correct?
- 2 A. I don't know that --
- 3 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Objection, Your Honor. He
- 4 said he doesn't know how many settlements there are in
- 5 the Hatch-Waxman context with reverse payments, so I
- don't see the foundation for the question.
- 7 MS. CREIGHTON: The question, Your Honor, was
- 8 asking about his experience in handling dozens of
- 9 patent cases as either a neutral or a party. It wasn't
- 10 limited to Hatch-Waxman cases, and the previous answer
- 11 had established that he's not aware of any case
- 12 settling in all of those cases with a cash payment up
- 13 front at the time of settlement.
- So, so far as -- why don't I rephrase the
- 15 question, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, you're rephrasing, all
- 17 right.
- 18 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- Q. So far as you're aware, Mr. O'Shaughnessy,
- isn't it correct that a rule that prohibited such
- 21 payments therefore would affect only a few settlements,
- 22 correct?
- 23 A. I don't know that to be true, no.
- Q. Is it correct, Mr. O'Shaughnessy, that a rule
- 25 that prohibited reverse payments, to your knowledge,

- would affect only a few settlements?
- A. Again, I don't know that to be true, and I'm
- 3 trying to separate my experience in the past from a
- 4 generalization that you now have stated in going
- forward, and you're using that phrase, "net cash
- 6 payments," and I'm thinking about consideration.
- 7 Consideration can flow in lots of different
- 8 ways. We've discussed it before. I don't want to go
- 9 too far with your question --
- 10 Q. Well, let me ask you this: As you understand
- 11 Professor Bresnahan's rule, it would only affect
- 12 settlements in a few cases, correct?
- 13 A. I don't know that to be the case.
- Q. Why don't I show you, if I can turn it on -- I
- apologize, Your Honor. I'm going to have to zoom here.
- 16 A. I can't read this at all, I'm sorry.
- 17 Q. I apologize, Mr. O'Shaughnessy, let me just
- 18 figure out how to zoom in. The problem is that it's a
- 19 run-on question and answer, but I show you page 114,
- 20 line 17 to page 115, line 3. It asked:
- 21 "QUESTION: What is your understanding of the
- 22 rule that Professor Bresnahan articulates?
- 23 "ANSWER: Well, part of it is that a reverse
- 24 payment is -- what he calls a reverse payment, there
- 25 virtually would be a per se rule against it, that there

- 1 could be no flow of what he calls net consideration
- 2 from the patentee to the entrant, and that were one to
- 3 detect that, it's a litmus test for
- 4 anti-competitiveness, and that there would be a
- 5 conclusive presumption against those kinds of
- 6 transactions where any kind of extrinsic value creation
- 7 that contributed to a payment from the patentee to the
- 8 entrant would be condemned."
- 9 Then you go on with your answer, and then the
- 10 question, page 115, line 14:
- "QUESTION: So, you would agree that it would
- 12 affect only a few settlements?
- "ANSWER: Well, relatively speaking, in
- comparison to all the cases that are filed, yes.
- 15 "QUESTION: Wouldn't it be fair to say that
- 16 you've never been involved in or heard of a settlement
- 17 that would be proscribed by that rule?
- 18 "ANSWER: You mean other than what we're
- 19 engaged in now?
- 20 "OUESTION: Correct.
- 21 "ANSWER: Yeah, well, that would -- that's
- 22 true."
- Did you give -- did I ask you those questions
- and did you give those answers?
- 25 A. No, I --

1 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Objection. Can you read all

- 2 that off the screen or do you need a copy of your
- 3 deposition?
- 4 THE WITNESS: It might be helpful with a copy.
- 5 I can read a lot of it. What I can't read is the part
- 6 in between that was left out.
- 7 MS. CREIGHTON: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 8 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 9 THE WITNESS: Page 114? This began at 114?
- 10 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 11 Q. Page 114 was the preceding question that set
- 12 the predicate for your -- for the questions and answers
- in which you were articulating your understanding of
- 14 Professor Bresnahan's rule regarding reverse payments,
- and then the focus is on page 115, starting at line 14
- and going through line 23.
- 17 A. (Document review.)
- 18 Q. Did you give -- did I ask you those questions
- 19 and did you give those answers?
- 20 A. Well, I did, yes. Yes, this is an accurate
- 21 transcription if that's what you're asking.
- Q. Now, it's fair to say, isn't it, Mr.
- 23 O'Shaughnessy, that in assessing the objective merits
- of a case, it's your opinion that you can only
- 25 determine within some rough parameters as opposed to

- with great precision? Is that correct?
- 2 A. Would you please repeat that question?
- 3 Q. Is it fair to say that in assessing the
- 4 objective merits of a case, it's your opinion that you
- 5 can only determine within some rough parameters as
- 6 opposed to with great precision?
- 7 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Objection, I think it's
- 8 ambiguous as to the context of when you're evaluating
- 9 this case.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Overruled. I'll let the court
- 11 reporter read it back and see if he can answer.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I think I understand the
- 13 question.
- The best way to determine the outcome is to go
- 15 to the outcome. Now, cases ebb and flow, and it
- depends on what stage of the case you're in as to what
- 17 degree of precision you can have with respect to the
- 18 likely outcome.
- 19 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 20 O. It --
- 21 A. So, I mean, the merits of the case always
- inform one's judgment on what's going to happen. The
- 23 precision with which one can gauge the possible outcome
- on the merits will change.
- 25 Q. Okay. And isn't it, in fact, the case, Mr.

- 1 O'Shaughnessy, that as a case ebbs and flows, the odds
- 2 may change from 60 percent to 70 percent to 50 percent
- 3 of the lifetime of the case?
- A. Well, they will swing that wildly, but they
- 5 certainly will change with rulings of the court, the
- 6 discovery of new evidence. It depends on where you
- 7 are. The closer you get to trial, the less likely you
- 8 would expect those kinds of wild swings. Early in the
- 9 case, yes.
- 10 Q. Let me direct your attention to page 156 of
- 11 your deposition, lines 8 to 14. The question, I
- 12 believe, is actually on page 154, lines 4 to 6. The
- 13 question was:
- "QUESTION: What kind of parameters would you
- say you think reasonable to achieve in assessing the
- 16 objectiveness of a case?"
- 17 And your answer continues, and in particular at
- 18 lines 8 to 14, you state, "It -- there are too many
- 19 things that can happen over the period as the case ebbs
- 20 and flows, and I may tell my client today we've got a
- 21 60 percent chance of winning. After the ruling on a
- 22 motion, I could say we have a 70 percent chance. And
- after the next ruling, I could say we have a 50 percent
- 24 chance. It's on -- there's just too much uncertainty
- 25 going forward."

- 1 Did --
- 2 A. I think that's true, that's true, yes, going
- 3 through the case. As I say, when you get down the road
- 4 to a jury, that may not be true.
- 5 Q. Summary judgment can affect the outcome of a
- 6 case, correct?
- 7 A. It can be dispositive.
- Q. And also change your assessment of the odds
- 9 even if it's not dispositive, correct?
- 10 A. Yes, it can.
- 11 Q. A ruling on what goes to the jury and what
- evidence won't go to the jury can affect a case?
- 13 A. Yes, it can.
- 14 Q. And this can result in wild swings of the
- assessment of your odds, correct?
- 16 A. As I say, earlier in the case you get wilder
- swings than later in the case. You would hope not to
- go from a 70 to a 50 percent change as they're swearing
- 19 the jury.
- Q. And even in a case on appeal, you might end up
- 21 with a 50 percent chance of reversal?
- 22 A. That's a whole new dynamic.
- Q. And isn't it true, sir, that the less
- 24 information you have earlier in the case, the less
- 25 precise you can be in assessing the likely outcome at

- 1 trial?
- 2 A. I think that's true of almost everything.
- Q. Of course, even in cases that have been tried
- 4 all the way through, you frequently have been surprised
- 5 by the way evidence has been perceived by fact finders,
- 6 whether judge or jury, correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. Arguments and evidence that you believe
- 9 dispositive have been overlooked or have been
- 10 discounted, and seemingly minor points sometimes
- 11 carried the day, correct?
- 12 A. I have seen that, yes.
- 13 Q. Witnesses and their testimony have been
- 14 disregarded, right?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. And your experience matches that of most
- 17 litigators that you know, particularly patent
- 18 litigators, correct?
- 19 A. I believe that to be true.
- 20 Q. So, as a result of all those uncertainties, you
- 21 personally can't tell the difference between a 70 and a
- 22 75 percent case, can you?
- 23 A. Well, I -- in fairness to what we discussed
- 24 before, I think what I said is there is no substantive
- 25 difference. It's difficult when you get to a

- difference between 5 percentage points, because it's
- 2 not a probability distribution. It's a -- it's meant
- 3 as a method of communicating important information to a
- 4 businessman or businesswoman.
- 5 I think it is meaningful to talk about a
- 6 difference between 60 and 70 percent. When you talk
- 7 about the difference between 70 and 75, it starts to
- 8 create a false impression that one can be so precise
- 9 with one's statistics that you can actually predict the
- 10 outcome.
- 11 The -- maybe a different way to put it, you
- 12 know, if -- if we talk about a probability when you
- 13 flip a coin, you know, every time you flip the coin
- there's some statistical probability it's going to be a
- head or a tail, or if you're picking socks out of a bag
- 16 and trying to match them up, there's some statistical
- 17 probability that they will match. That's not the kind
- of statistics we're talking about here.
- 19 Q. The reason that lawyers and clients talk about
- 20 statistics of the type you're talking about is really
- as a communications tool. Isn't that correct?
- 22 A. Absolutely.
- Q. So, they are not intended to have some kind of
- 24 mathematical or scientific exactitude, correct?
- 25 A. Yes, and I would not want to tell a businessman

- 1 you have a 72 percent chance of winning, because a
- 2 businessman is likely to believe that. The problem is
- 3 I want to convey that there is a demonstrable, a
- 4 palpable risk that we could lose here, and 70 to 75
- 5 percent, it's hard to tell. I might articulate 70 to
- 6 75 percent. I'm not sure the hearer would be able to
- 7 distinguish between 70 and 75, but I do think it's
- 8 meaningful between 60 and 70 or between 50 and 60, you
- 9 can do sort of a rough approximation, and the sort of
- 10 larger swings or larger differences, say this was a
- 11 significant event and our chances went from 60 to 70 or
- 12 our chances went from 60 to 50. It's the significance
- of the event that you're trying to convey, not the
- 14 precise outcome statistically speaking.
- Q. So, in the hypothetical, I'd like to change the
- 16 facts a little bit on the hypothetical that Mr.
- 17 Schildkraut asked you. Suppose that you're a mediator
- and parties are coming to you to propose settlement,
- 19 and instead of having to prove that a particular side
- 20 deal has some specific extrinsic value, instead, you're
- 21 told that in order to pass muster legally that you have
- to be able to prove with some exactitude what the odds
- were of prevailing in a case, that the patent holder
- had a 62 percent chance of winning.
- 25 What effect would that legal rule have on your

- 1 ability to settle cases?
- A. Well, I don't know how I'd go about trying to
- 3 prove I had a 62 percent chance of winning, not with
- 4 that kind of precision.
- 5 Q. So, the effect of that kind of rule would be to
- 6 create considerable uncertainty or to chill
- 7 settlements, wouldn't it?
- 8 A. That would be part of the chilling effect, yes,
- 9 but all you've done is add to my conundrum. The basic
- 10 problem I have is not understanding -- I guess it's a
- double negative, not not understanding my case, the
- 12 substantive case; it's the failure to appreciate how I
- would prove that there is no net consideration in the
- 14 extrinsic value-creating deal, whereas -- there are a
- 15 lot of moving parts, a lot of money that flows in
- 16 different directions.
- 17 In that example I gave, there was money going
- 18 from infringer to patentee, money going from patentee
- 19 to infringer, on various levels for various things,
- 20 license fees, product discount fees, there was cash,
- 21 there was script. I can't figure out with all the
- 22 arrows where the net ultimately is. I can tell you
- 23 that both sides believed that they netted out
- 24 positively, that they both ended up with more than they
- 25 would have had absent the transaction.

- Q. Mr. O'Shaughnessy, I just want to make sure you
- 2 understood my hypothetical, because I was setting aside
- 3 the one that related to the extrinsic value creation,
- 4 just a settlement in which to prove that the settlement
- 5 was reasonable you had to be able to prove up what the
- 6 true odds were of prevailing in the case. That would
- 7 have a chilling effect on your ability as a mediator to
- 8 settle cases, wouldn't it?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Mr. O'Shaughnessy, you testified during your
- 11 direct about the use of extrinsic value creation to
- bridge the gap between parties to settlement.
- 13 A. Um-hum.
- 14 Q. In your experience, such deals may include
- instances, for example, if one party trades technology
- 16 rights in one area in exchange for another party's
- technology rights in another area, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. So, for example, license to one technology in
- 20 exchange for a license to another technology, right?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. The reason that you look for such trades is to
- 23 use something that's leveragable because cash isn't
- leveragable. Isn't that right?
- 25 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. Your first objective in a deal, in fact, is to
- 2 reduce the cash component as best you can. Isn't that
- 3 right?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. It's not always achievable, but that's your
- 6 first objective.
- 7 A. It's always the first objective, because as I
- 8 said, it's not leveragable.
- 9 Q. In fact, you hate to give up cash when you're
- negotiating because in your opinion it's way too
- 11 precious to give to someone else, correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- Q. Because cash belongs in the executive bonus
- 14 pool?
- 15 A. I think that's what I told you, yes.
- 16 Q. So, if you represent the payer, you're trying
- 17 to reduce the cash component by using a technology deal
- 18 instead, right?
- 19 A. As best one can, yes.
- 20 Q. And is that a view in your opinion that others
- 21 would subscribe to who are involved in extrinsic value
- 22 creation?
- 23 A. Oh, I -- I believe the answer is yes for the
- reason that cash isn't leveragable, and if you can
- 25 create something of value, especially, as I said

1 earlier, where the party giving the value and the party

- 2 receiving the value can actually value the transaction
- differently, where the party giving the value can value
- 4 it kind of low, because it doesn't cost them a lot to
- 5 give it, but the party receiving it values it high,
- 6 because it provides or fills a need that they have,
- 7 that's an ideal situation.
- 8 Cash isn't capable of doing that. Unless
- 9 you're in like Argentina or someplace like that, you
- 10 know, the giving and the taking of money can have a lot
- of value at the time. Here, if I give you a dollar,
- 12 I've lost a dollar and you've gained a dollar. It's
- not leveragable. So, I haven't accomplished a lot as a
- mediator by just throwing cash at the resolution of a
- deal, the resolution of a problem.
- 16 Q. So, just to summarize, it's fair to say, isn't
- 17 it, that the purpose of using technology side deals in
- 18 your experience is to minimize the payment of cash,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Minimize, yes.
- Q. Okay. So, it's not to provide a reason for the
- 22 payment of cash, correct?
- 23 A. I missed your question.
- Q. The purpose of using side deals is not to
- 25 create a reason to pay cash, correct?

- 1 A. I -- you would try to minimize it, yes.
- Q. You're not an economist, are you, Mr.
- 3 O'Shaughnessy?
- 4 A. No, I'm not.
- 5 Q. I think you mentioned that you drew a
- 6 distinction between what Professor Bresnahan called
- 7 optimistic and what you've called wildly optimistic
- 8 litigants.
- 9 A. Um-hum.
- 10 Q. You also identified what you described as a
- 11 case of indifference. Is that correct?
- 12 A. Um-hum.
- 13 Q. But in noting these additional categories, you
- don't have an opinion as to how these categories would
- affect Professor Bresnahan's economic analysis,
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. No, I -- I see them in my own practice. They
- have a profound difference to me in resolving disputes.
- 19 So, for example, a party within Professor Bresnahan's
- 20 category of optimistic, who may be like 120 percent
- 21 combined probabilities of success, I see that almost
- 22 all the time. It's not uncommon to find a litigator
- 23 who has worked on their case for several years who has
- 24 a lot of confidence in it and believes she's going to
- 25 win and believes that, you know, it may be an almost

1 two out of three chance, and to find somebody resisting

- 2 that with an equal degree of conviction that they're
- 3 going to win. That's the adversarial system.
- When we get to something like 130 percent, we
- 5 certainly have a problem, because now one party is
- 6 operating with an undue degree of optimism. There's an
- 7 unrealistic expectation, and for a mediator, that's a
- 8 very important dynamic to understand. You can
- 9 facilitate as a facilitative mediator a dispute with
- about 120 percent. When it gets to about 130 or more,
- 11 you have to become evaluative.
- 12 Q. And I appreciate that, Mr. O'Shaughnessy, but
- the question is, just to make it clear that you and I
- are on the same wavelength, you don't have an opinion
- as to whether that distinction, for example, has any
- 16 effect on Professor Bresnahan's economic analysis,
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. Oh, I think it must. I don't know how, but I
- 19 think it must. I mean, how can you talk about the
- 20 resolution of a dispute with these dynamics and some
- 21 kind of economic rule that applies to the determination
- of the legitimacy of the outcome and then factor out
- one of the most important dynamics within the dispute
- itself, which has to do with the degree of optimism or
- over-optimism? So, I can't tell you how it affects,

- but I can't believe it wouldn't.
- 2 Q. Well, you don't have any opinion as to whether
- 3 these distinctions have any bearing on the facts of
- 4 this case. Is that right?
- 5 A. No, I do not.
- Q. So, so far as you know, these distinctions are
- 7 irrelevant in the application of Professor Bresnahan's
- 8 analysis to the facts of this case. Isn't that right?
- 9 A. I don't know how they apply to this case, so I
- 10 couldn't offer an opinion on that.
- 11 Q. And in your experience, most parties are
- optimistic about their litigation odds, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Few parties even have an equal assessment of
- their odds in litigation, correct?
- 16 A. It sometimes happens.
- Q. By equal assessment, you mean an assessment
- that's objectively accurate. Is that right?
- 19 A. I can work with that definition.
- 20 Q. Okay. I take it that it's fair to assume, sir,
- 21 that if equal assessments are rare that you've seldom
- 22 encountered a case in which a party was pessimistic
- about its odds?
- A. At the outset, yes, not near the end.
- 25 Q. Okay.

1 A. I mean by the end of the process, and you might

- 2 take advantage and create some pessimism to drive a
- 3 party to settlement. It's a function of risk aversion.
- Q. Okay. Didn't you criticize Professor Bresnahan
- 5 because you felt that he treated pessimistic odds as
- 6 some frequent occurrence?
- 7 A. Yeah, yeah.
- 8 Q. And so you think that an economic analysis that
- 9 is based on the predicate that pessimism is common
- 10 would be inappropriate, correct?
- 11 A. I believe that to be true, yes.
- 12 Q. And that would be as true of economists offered
- 13 I assume by Schering as it would be offered by
- 14 complaint counsel, correct?
- A. Well, it's not an even distribution amongst
- 16 these three categories, if you accept that there are
- 17 only three. People tend in litigation to be more
- optimistic than pessimistic or they would have settled
- 19 long before it got there, and what you find is that you
- 20 can use pessimism and, in fact, turn people on
- 21 themselves in their own psychology and say, you know,
- 22 everybody over-values their case. You're just
- 23 over-valuing your case.
- You create at once a sense of pessimism, and
- 25 you create a heightened sense of risk -- you raise

- 1 their risk averse profile, because you're trying to get
- 2 to done. So, you might exploit it. Now, going into a
- 3 case at the beginning, you might see one kind of
- 4 distribution. People change over time. What I'm
- 5 saying is there's not an equal distribution -- it's not
- 6 a bell-shaped curve of, you know, optimistic,
- 7 pessimistic and equal assessment.
- Q. In your opinion, the lawfulness of agreements
- 9 between competitors should be determined without regard
- 10 to whether that agreement arises in the context of
- 11 settlement, correct?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Objection, this is beyond the
- scope of the direct examination. It's also beyond the
- 14 witness' expertise.
- MS. CREIGHTON: First, Your Honor, I think that
- 16 we've been having some latitude in cross examination of
- 17 experts, but specifically, I think that this goes
- directly to his criticism of Professor Bresnahan's
- 19 analysis.
- 20 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: I don't think he's criticized
- 21 Professor Bresnahan's analysis in terms of his -- in
- terms of Professor Bresnahan's antitrust analysis, and
- I don't think he's capable of answering questions like
- 24 this.
- 25 JUDGE CHAPPELL: The objection's sustained. If

- 1 you're going to ask him this, you can't cross examine
- 2 him, you can't ask leading questions, and you're going
- 3 to have to lay a foundation.
- 4 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 5 Q. Mr. O'Shaughnessy, you were not asked to form
- an opinion about how one would determine whether some
- 7 component of a settlement was designed to conceal an
- 8 unlawful arrangement, correct?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. You hadn't given that matter enough thought to
- 11 have an opinion at the time of -- that you prepared
- 12 your report, correct?
- 13 A. Well, at the time I prepared my report, all I
- 14 had looked at was Professor Bresnahan's report. I
- didn't have any facts that would allow me to answer
- 16 anywhere -- anything along those lines.
- 17 Q. And so to the extent that Professor Bresnahan's
- analysis is intended to determine the lawfulness of
- 19 agreements that arise in the context of a settlement,
- 20 you're not expressing an opinion on that one way or the
- 21 other, correct?
- 22 A. I believe that's correct as you phrased it.
- Q. And you have no opinion as to whether the
- 24 arrangements involved here have any anti-competitive
- 25 effect, correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. At the time you prepared your report, Mr.
- 3 O'Shaughnessy, the only documents that you had reviewed
- 4 were the Bresnahan report, the complaint, the answer
- 5 and the two settlement agreements. Isn't that correct?
- A. I believe that's correct. It's outlined in my
- 7 report. I don't recall anything else, though.
- 8 Q. By the time your deposition was taken in this
- 9 matter, you still hadn't reviewed any of the parties'
- documents other than the two settlement agreements,
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. That's correct, and that remains true today.
- Q. By the time your deposition was taken, you
- 14 still hadn't reviewed any deposition transcripts other
- than to look at the Hoffman transcript and decide you
- weren't interested in it. Is that correct?
- 17 A. No, I looked at I think -- I can't remember the
- order now. It could be that at the time of my
- 19 deposition, that could be correct, but I have read
- 20 Professor Bresnahan's deposition, though I did not --
- 21 no, I read Bazerman's deposition and I read Fliesler's
- 22 deposition.
- 23 Q. Those were subsequent to your deposition. Is
- 24 that right?
- 25 A. Okay, that could be.

1 Q. You did not rely on specific terms of the

- 2 settlement agreements in formulating your opinion,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. In preparing your report, you didn't consider
- 6 the report, for example, of the fact that ESI -- that
- 7 the ESI settlement agreement provided for larger
- 8 payments depending on the timing of ESI's approvable
- 9 letter, correct?
- 10 A. That did not -- I did not take that into
- 11 account in my opinion, no.
- 12 Q. And you didn't focus or rely on any other
- specific terms in the settlement agreements in forming
- 14 your opinions in this case, correct?
- 15 A. That is correct.
- 16 MS. CREIGHTON: No further questions, Your
- Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Anything further?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Yes, just a few questions,
- 20 Your Honor.
- 21 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Mr. O'Shaughnessy, you have seen cases where
- 24 the -- where one or more of the parties was pessimistic
- about the outcome?

- 1 A. Well, I've created pessimism if that's what
- 2 you're getting at. It -- and that's a -- I think a
- 3 fairly classic technique that mediators use.
- Q. Okay. Now, in -- you were asked about
- 5 providing cash. Have you been involved in matters
- 6 where net consideration has flowed in both directions?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And in any of those matters, was there cash
- 9 flowing?
- 10 A. There was cash flowing, there were rights
- 11 flowing. These can become very intricate,
- 12 multi-component, a lot of moving parts, as I said
- 13 earlier, involving cash, involving rights, involving
- 14 cooperative relationships, which eventually turn to
- 15 cash.
- 16 Q. And that can be in return for a license, for
- 17 example?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. You were asked some questions about the odds of
- 20 litigation, and I think you -- the odds of -- the odds
- of litigation, whether if that was the rule, whether
- that would be difficult for people to evaluate, and I
- 23 think you started an answer about it wasn't just the
- odds of litigation that people had to evaluate but
- 25 the -- how this -- how to handicap also how to -- you

1 know, how to evaluate the issue of whether it's going

- 2 to look like net consideration to the FTC.
- 3 A. Um-hum.
- Q. And I wanted just to continue and get your full
- 5 answer on that. How is that going to have an impact on
- 6 the ability to settle?
- 7 A. Well, I see these as two related problems.
- 8 They're related in the sense that the settlement of the
- 9 dispute is just a prelude to the next proceeding, where
- 10 now I have to prove a number of things, and it may be I
- 11 need to prove with precision what my view was in the
- 12 prior litigation of my likelihood of success, but in
- addition to that, I now have to present a lot of
- 14 evidence on the bona fides of the extrinsic
- value-creating transaction, and the problem I see with
- 16 this, apart from the problems of proof and the problems
- 17 of how that proof may be analyzed and reviewed in the
- 18 cold light of day, in a room like this several years
- later as opposed to the caldron of negotiation, which
- after many hours gets pretty hot.
- 21 Those perceptions will be materially different
- from the reality, and when you rely on risk aversion to
- 23 drive parties together to settle their dispute, you
- 24 have to accept them as they are, and they're going to
- 25 be risk averse enough that they may say, I don't know

- 1 how that's going to play out in the second proceeding.
- 2 I just can't take the chance that I'm going to win here
- 3 and lose there. So, let's just keep going. No
- 4 settlement. That's what I predict.
- 5 Q. And how is that going to affect your ability to
- 6 mediate disputes?
- 7 A. Very few disputes would be settled if that were
- 8 a requirement. It would, as I said, chill them. It
- 9 would thwart many. It would make some impossible. It
- 10 would be unwelcome by mediators, I can tell you that.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No further questions, Your
- Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Recross?
- 14 MS. CREIGHTON: Nothing further, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you, sir, you're
- 16 excused.
- 17 Let's take our morning break. We're in recess
- 18 until 11:20.
- 19 (A brief recess was taken.)
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Next witness?
- 21 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, Schering-Plough
- 22 calls Robert Willig.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Raise your right hand, please.
- 24 Whereupon--
- 25 ROBERT WILLIG

1 a witness, called for examination, having been first

- duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you, have a seat.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 5 MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, Mr. Gidley will be
- 6 responsible for this witness for Upsher-Smith.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- 8 State your full name for the record, please.
- 9 THE WITNESS: My name is Robert Willig, W I L L
- 10 I G.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- 12 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. What is your profession?
- 15 A. I'm an economist.
- 16 Q. Where did you complete your studies in
- 17 economics?
- 18 A. I got my Ph.D. at Stanford University. I got a
- 19 Master's Degree also from Stanford University in
- 20 operations research, and a Bachelor's Degree in
- 21 mathematics but with some study of economics, as well,
- 22 at Harvard.
- 23 Q. And what are your areas of expertise within the
- field of economics?
- 25 A. Within economics, my principal area of

1 expertise is the field of industrial organization. I

- 2 have also done research and studied all of my
- 3 professional life the field of welfare economics, and I
- 4 like especially to put the two of those together and
- 5 study policy in the area of what you might call
- 6 antitrust economics, and also more broadly in the area
- 7 of government business relationships.
- 8 Q. What is industrial organization?
- 9 A. It's a major field of economics that has to do
- 10 with the way, naturally enough, industry is organized,
- 11 that's why it takes on that title, unimaginatively. It
- 12 has to do with the form that commerce takes in a
- variety of different societies, a variety of different
- 14 contexts, with particular attention to what should we
- 15 be doing as an economic policy community about the way
- industry is organized for the public good.
- 17 Q. Is there a relationship between industrial
- 18 organization and antitrust economics?
- 19 A. Yes, antitrust economics is that particular
- 20 focus within industrial organization that focuses on
- 21 policy in the area of competition, as the rest of the
- 22 world calls it, and what we call here in the U.S.
- 23 antitrust.
- Q. And what is welfare economics?
- 25 A. Welfare economics is the study of what is good

- or bad from the point of view of society. We seek to
- 2 develop philosophical, methodological and practical
- 3 tools that would help the economic analyst understand
- 4 whether some change or whether some policy is actually
- 5 favorable from the point of view of society or not.
- 6 Q. Where are you employed?
- 7 A. I'm employed at Princeton University.
- Q. And what is your position at Princeton?
- 9 A. Professor of economics and public affairs.
- 10 Q. And what department are you in there?
- 11 A. My appointment is joint between the Economics
- 12 Department and the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and
- 13 International Affairs.
- 14 O. What is the Woodrow Wilson School?
- 15 A. The Woodrow Wilson school is a department of
- 16 the university. It's also at the same time a
- 17 professional school within Princeton University. We
- 18 educate undergraduates who are at Princeton University
- 19 as college students. We also have a -- what's to me a
- 20 very important professional program offering a Master's
- 21 in public affairs for students who are bound for
- 22 careers in government and dealing with public policy
- 23 through nongovernmental organizations. The school also
- offers its own Ph.D.s, as well.
- 25 Q. How long have you been at Princeton?

- 1 A. I've been at Princeton since 1978.
- Q. What courses do you teach?
- A. Right now I'm teaching a course in competition
- 4 policy. It's called Legal and Administrative
- 5 Regulation of Markets, which I teach to the Master's
- 6 candidates within the public affairs program in the
- 7 Woodrow Wilson School. I've taught that same group of
- 8 students in the fall a course in microeconomics for
- 9 public policy analysis. I also occasionally teach
- 10 courses in industrial organization as a matter of
- 11 theory, as a matter of econometric practice, usually to
- 12 Ph.D. students in the Economics Department.
- Q. What additional positions have you held
- relevant to your work in industrial organization,
- 15 antitrust economics and welfare economics?
- 16 A. The first job I had out of graduate school was
- 17 definitely in that category. I was an economic
- 18 researcher and then later supervisor in the economics
- 19 research department of Bell Laboratories.
- 20 Interestingly, at that time, the issues facing the
- 21 telephone system were just as importantly regulatory as
- they were electronic, and Bell Labs built a research
- capability in that field, and it was exciting to be
- there in those days.
- 25 Later on, in 1989-1990, I served in the

1 administration as Deputy Assistant Attorney General for

- 2 economics within the Antitrust Division of the
- 3 Department of Justice just down the block.
- Q. And what was your role as Deputy Assistant
- 5 Attorney General for economics?
- A. There were many roles. I'd say the most
- 7 important was to help in the formulation of policy
- 8 toward competition for the entire administration. I
- 9 did wander outside of the building down Pennsylvania
- 10 Avenue to become involved in the entire
- 11 administration's thinking about policy toward
- 12 competition in a variety of domains. I suppose almost
- 13 equally important was providing whatever advice and
- 14 quidance I could on the decisions that the Division
- made with respect to investigations and ultimately
- 16 prosecution under the antitrust laws.
- I also was managing personally the group of
- 18 50-some odd Ph.D. economists and finance experts
- 19 employed by the Antitrust Division to help with the
- 20 lawyers and the economists performing the tasks of
- 21 making judgments about what cases to bring and actually
- fashioning the cases that the Division decided to
- 23 bring.
- Q. What was the objective of the Division's
- 25 policy?

1 A. Well, from my point of view, and I think most

- of my colleagues, the objective was to foster
- 3 competition, to foster social welfare, to foster
- 4 consumer welfare.
- 5 Q. What do you mean by "social welfare"?
- A. This is a long philosophical question, but the
- 7 bottom line is social welfare is that which we
- 8 understand to be good policy, good outcomes for society
- 9 viewed broadly, taking into account consumers, first
- 10 and foremost, and also taking into account the other
- interests in the economy.
- 12 Q. Did you evaluate horizontal restraints of
- 13 trade?
- 14 A. Yes, that was certainly part of our portfolio
- of analyses to do.
- Q. In your fields of specialization, how many
- 17 publications have you authored?
- A. I've written about 75, maybe more, articles,
- 19 papers, portions of books and books.
- Q. And can you give us some examples of the books
- 21 you've authored?
- 22 A. Yes. My first was called The Welfare Analysis
- of Policies Affecting Prices and Products, so that went
- 24 right to the subject matter that we've been discussing.
- I was a co-author of a booked called Contestable

- 1 Markets and the Theory of Industry Structure. I'm also
- 2 the co-editor of a two-volume set called The Handbook
- 3 of Industrial Organization.
- Q. Can you give us some examples of articles that
- 5 you've authored?
- A. Sure. I wrote an article called, "Consumer
- 7 Surplus without Apology," still my favorite title. I
- 8 wrote that a long time ago. Another work would be
- 9 "Free Entry and the Sustainability of Natural
- 10 Monopoly." A third, which I was just talking about
- 11 yesterday, is called, "Merger Analysis: Industrial
- 12 Organization Theory and Guidelines."
- Q. Where were you talking about it yesterday?
- 14 A. I was at an antitrust conference at the
- 15 Conference Board in New York, and the lunchtime panel,
- 16 sitting next to Bob Pitofsky, talking about the role of
- 17 concentration in merger analysis, looking back since
- the original guidelines and looking forward to the next
- 19 millennium and whether the challenges that are being
- 20 mounted to the traditional view of concentration are
- 21 really warranted or whether we have the right framework
- in place for going forward even though it is a new
- century.
- Q. Have you testified as an expert witness in the
- 25 fields of welfare economics, industrial organization

- 1 and antitrust economics?
- 2 A. I have. I've testified before courts, before
- 3 many administrative agencies, before Congress, before
- 4 courts in foreign countries, also administrative
- 5 agencies elsewhere.
- 6 Q. Have you done any analysis in the field of
- 7 economics and intellectual property?
- 8 A. I have. I was asked to write an article
- 9 reviewing the intellectual property guidelines that
- 10 were published by the Federal Trade Commission and the
- 11 Department of Justice jointly some years ago, and I was
- 12 asked to review them and write a review article about
- them for a Bar association magazine.
- 14 I've also done a number of theoretical
- economics analyses dealing with intellectual property
- 16 in the economics literature, and I've been involved in
- 17 a number of consulting matters or applied economic
- 18 matters where intellectual property was very much at
- 19 the center of the issue.
- 20 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, we offer
- 21 Professor Willig as an expert in industrial
- organization, antitrust and welfare economics.
- MR. GIDLEY: No objection.
- MS. CREIGHTON: No objection.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Motion is granted.

- 1 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 2 Q. Professor Willig, what was your assignment
- 3 here?
- 4 A. I was asked to determine on the basis of
- 5 economics whether agreements to settle patent disputes
- 6 that involve a split of the patent are necessarily
- 7 harmful to social welfare.
- 8 Q. And you said "a split of the patent." What do
- 9 you mean by "a split of the patent"?
- 10 A. The kind of split that I focused on has to do
- 11 with the split of the remaining time in the life of the
- 12 patent. In other words, if the patent has ten more
- 13 years to run and if the agreement to settle the patent
- dispute would permit entry by the accused infringer of
- 15 the patent and that entry is sometime in the middle of
- 16 the remaining patent life, and that would be an example
- of a split of the patent the way I used the term.
- Of course, the split could be along other
- 19 dimensions as well. For example, patents often can be
- 20 divided into various fields of use or even different
- 21 geographical areas over which the patent would apply,
- speaking as an economist not as a lawyer, and I think
- 23 the basic framework of the analyses that I've done can
- 24 apply as well to those dimensions of the applicability
- of the patent as well as to time, but still, in my

- 1 report, my focus has been on time.
- Q. Okay. Did we finish your assignments? Do you
- 3 have any other assignments?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Well, were you actually -- were you asked to
- 6 assess the actual welfare impacts of the particular
- 7 deals in this case?
- 8 A. No, I was not actually asked to do a factual
- 9 analysis of these examples of patent-splitting
- 10 agreements or of these deals to arrive at a conclusion
- 11 about them. Instead, I was asked to focus on the issue
- 12 of methodology, how is it that an economist would
- advise the policy community or the fact finder about
- 14 how to decide whether a particular agreement really is
- in the public interest or whether instead it is
- 16 anti-competitive, and in that respect, I was asked to
- 17 review the work in this case by a Professor Bresnahan,
- 18 who I think from his testimony and his reports has a
- 19 very definite viewpoint on that issue of methodology,
- and that's really been the focus of my work, was to
- 21 test that methodology.
- Q. Were you asked to review all the record
- 23 testimony?
- A. No, I was not.
- Q. What were you asked to review?

- 1 A. I focused almost entirely on the testimony of
- 2 Professor Bresnahan for the reasons that I just
- 3 mentioned.
- Q. Okay. Were there any assumptions you were
- 5 asked to make before analyzing these issues?
- A. Yes. The first assumption that I was asked to
- 7 make was that the first leg of Professor Bresnahan's
- 8 three-leg test is satisfied in this case as a matter of
- 9 fact, not that I know those facts, but I was asked to
- 10 assume that the fact finder would agree with Professor
- 11 Bresnahan's first leg of his test with respect to the
- 12 existence of monopoly power.
- 13 Q. You were asked to assume that Schering was a
- 14 monopolist?
- 15 A. I was asked to assume that for the purpose of
- 16 my analysis, to focus on the methodological issue
- instead.
- Q. Anything else you were asked to assume?
- 19 A. Yes. I was also asked to assume the second leg
- 20 of Professor Bresnahan's test; namely, that that
- 21 monopoly power that I just mentioned I am assuming is
- actually threatened by the potential of the possible
- 23 entry into the marketplace of the litigating entrant
- 24 who is part of the patent dispute. So, threat to that
- 25 monopoly power.

1 Q. And what were you asked to assume about net

- 2 consideration?
- 3 A. I was asked to assume that the question of
- 4 whether there is a side deal, an extrinsic deal as part
- of the agreement to settle the patent dispute, that
- 6 whether or not that side deal involves net
- 7 consideration is a matter of contention. I was not
- 8 asked to assume it was either there or not there, but
- 9 rather, that it's a real issue in the case.
- 10 Q. What do you mean by "net consideration"?
- 11 A. Net consideration would be payment of cash,
- money or other value beyond the value that is received
- by the party who was conveying that cash or that value,
- 14 and that moreover, that cash or value that is conveyed
- is received by the counter-party.
- 16 Q. Okay. Let's very briefly have you state your
- 17 conclusions. What conclusions did you draw?
- 18 A. Different conclusions about the three different
- 19 kinds of patent-splitting agreements that I considered
- 20 using economic analysis. First, from the point of view
- of a very simple patent-splitting agreement which has
- 22 no side deal at all, it's just an agreement to split
- 23 the patent. My conclusion is that agreements of that
- 24 kind generally raise no significant issues of
- competitive concern and that the general policy stance

1 ought to be nonintervention in agreements of that kind.

- 2 Second, with respect to patent-splitting
- 3 agreements that do entail side agreements or extrinsic
- 4 agreements, even though they may be linked to the
- 5 settlement of the patent dispute, my conclusion with
- 6 respect to them is pretty much the same as the
- 7 conclusion that I just articulated. Generally those
- 8 kinds of agreements do not raise systematic issues of
- 9 concern about competition or about social welfare.
- 10 However, there is a difference that I think is
- 11 worth noting, and that is the side agreement that's
- 12 part of the patent-splitting agreement in its entirety
- that settles the patent dispute can very well have a
- special benefit to policy because the ability of the
- parties to link a side deal to the principal
- 16 arrangement that settles the patent dispute can, in
- fact, be socially beneficial. It can help to
- 18 facilitate the arrival at an agreement that disposes of
- 19 the patent dispute, and from the point of view of
- 20 society, that's a good thing.
- Q. What about your conclusion regarding the
- 22 patent-splitting arrangement with a side deal with net
- 23 consideration?
- 24 A. Settlements of patent disputes with side deals
- 25 that do -- have been found to convey net value can, in

1 fact, be essential in order for the parties to settle

- 2 the patent dispute in the first place.
- Moreover, there are circumstances where when
- 4 the side agreement that conveys net consideration --
- 5 when it is necessary to reach an overall agreement,
- 6 that agreement, supported by the net consideration, can
- 7 very much be to the benefit of social welfare. It can
- 8 help consumers as well as being beneficial for the
- 9 parties.
- 10 Q. Before I ask you more about your specific
- 11 conclusions, you've been talking about settlements, and
- 12 from the point of view of economists, are there -- what
- are the -- what is the social welfare impact of
- settlements of intellectual property and other legal
- disputes that are in litigation?
- 16 A. Well, there are a few different effects to pay
- 17 attention to. First and foremost, a settlement of a
- patent dispute removes the burden of risk that is
- 19 endemic if the litigation were to go forward from the
- 20 parties to the dispute, removes the cost of bearing the
- 21 inevitable risk that attends patent litigation from the
- 22 parties, and that has a few elements to it, also. But
- 23 moving on to broader concerns, judicial resources are
- 24 always scarce, and I think it's a general precept of
- 25 economics and policy generally that there is social

- 1 good to conserving scarce judicial resources, and
- 2 policy that will help to facilitate the ending of
- disputes, of litigation disputes through settlements,
- 4 has a social benefit all by itself for that reason
- 5 alone.
- Q. You mentioned the cost of bearing risk. Is
- 7 that the same thing as risk aversion?
- 8 A. Risk aversion is the term that we use in
- 9 economics to describe the kinds of preferences that
- 10 make it costly for a party to bear risk. So, the costs
- of bearing risk come from risk aversion.
- 12 Q. What are the costs of bearing risk?
- 13 A. First and foremost, at the personal level of
- just individual people, bearing risk is uncomfortable,
- and people are known to be adverse to risk because it
- 16 just makes them worry about the downside, and the
- downside is more negative to them, to us. It's almost
- a universal thing about people, including me certainly
- 19 and you, I would warrant, that the downside is actually
- 20 worse than the upside is good, and so on net, bearing
- 21 risk that has two sides to it, which is what risk is
- about, is something that people would seek to avoid,
- and we label that urge to avoid such risk at a personal
- 24 level risk aversion.
- 25 From the point of view of a corporation, risk

1 aversion comes in part from the effects that I was just

- 2 describing. Corporations are people with managers who
- 3 are human, shareholders who are human, but at the same
- 4 time, from the point of view of the corporate interest,
- 5 there are separate reasons to understand risk aversion,
- 6 because the more risk that a corporation bears, the
- 7 higher is its cost of capital. The investment
- 8 community, Wall Street, understands that risk is
- 9 something that requires more return to compensate for,
- and so a firm has a higher cost of capital when it's
- 11 bearing more risk.
- 12 Higher cost of capital is a cost of doing
- business that raises prices, it deters investment,
- 14 slows down investment, has a number of business impacts
- that are on the negative side both for the business
- 16 itself as well as for the economy that surrounds the
- 17 business.
- Q. Let's talk about your first conclusion, which
- 19 was relating to a patent-splitting arrangement without
- 20 a side deal. Tell us, why did you conclude that such a
- 21 patent-splitting arrangement without a side deal poses
- 22 little or no risk of social harm?
- 23 A. Well, on the benefit side, as we were just
- describing, the settlement of the patent dispute
- 25 removes risk from the parties, and so that's a good

- 1 thing in itself. It also helps to conserve judicial
- 2 resources. That's a good thing in itself. And on the
- 3 other side of the ledger, it carries little general
- 4 risk of impeding competition.
- 5 Q. And why does it bear little general risk of
- 6 impeding competition?
- 7 A. It's not generally likely to create more
- 8 monopoly than would the alternative process of
- 9 litigation that the settlement tends to displace.
- 10 Q. But in splitting the patent life, aren't the
- 11 litigants dividing the market?
- 12 A. They are not dividing the market in the sense
- of creating any more monopoly or any less competition
- than would be the result in a probabilistic sense under
- 15 litigation. If the litigation goes the way of the
- incumbent patent holder, then that patent holder will
- 17 have the extra monopoly -- again, under the assumption
- 18 that there is monopoly in the first place -- as a
- 19 result of winning the patent dispute.
- 20 Of course, that kind of monopoly that we're
- 21 talking about is the kind of monopoly that an economist
- 22 labels as socially appropriate; the law -- I hesitate
- 23 to speak about the law -- but the law might find
- lawful, because it's monopoly that flows from the
- 25 conferral of the property rights inherent in the

- 1 patent. This is not bad monopoly; this is good
- 2 monopoly in the first place.
- Q. Okay, let's go to tab 1 and page 43, and this
- 4 is complaint counsel's trial brief, and I want to focus
- 5 on a sentence there that is in the middle paragraph,
- one sentence from the end, and I'm going to read part
- 7 of that sentence.
- 8 A. I'm sorry, what page?
- 9 Q. Page 43. The sentence starts, "This case," one
- sentence from the end in the middle paragraph on the
- 11 page.
- 12 A. Mr. Schildkraut, I don't have it. Page 43?
- 13 Q. Page 43.
- 14 A. Ah, thank you.
- Q. Okay, let me read it to you. This is from
- 16 complaint counsel's brief.
- 17 "This case does not challenge the settlement of
- patent disputes by an agreement on a date of entry,
- 19 standing alone."
- 20 Do you agree with complaint counsel's decision
- 21 that such conduct should not be challenged?
- 22 A. I do agree with that.
- Q. All right. Let's now go to the second
- 24 conclusion, which was an agreement that is
- 25 accompanied -- an agreement that is accompanied by a

- 1 side deal without net consideration, and could you --
- 2 you say a side deal. Is this a side deal that's for
- 3 fair value?
- 4 A. I'm reading the sentence. "This case does not
- 5 challenge the settlement of patent disputes by an
- 6 agreement on a date of entry, standing alone, or the
- 7 payment of fair market value in connection with 'side
- 8 deals' to such an agreement."
- 9 Yes, so here the document is speaking about
- 10 side deals that do not convey net consideration, even
- 11 though they are linked to the settlement of the
- 12 underlying patent dispute.
- 13 Q. Okay. Why did you conclude that a settlement
- 14 with a patent split that has a side deal without net
- 15 consideration poses little or no harm of social
- 16 welfare?
- 17 A. Well, like splits of patents to settle patent
- 18 litigation that have no side deals at all, there are
- 19 real social benefits to the settlement of the patent
- 20 dispute in and of themselves. The fact that there is a
- 21 side deal that's linked, given that the side deal has
- 22 no net consideration entailed in it, means that the
- 23 side deal raises no additional risks of harm to
- 24 competition or the creation of more monopoly, and
- 25 moreover, there's the extra good that the side deal may

- 1 actually help to facilitate the attainment of a
- 2 settlement at all, and that has its own social benefit
- 3 going along with it.
- 4 Q. Is there any additional general risk of
- 5 increased monopoly compared to litigation in this sort
- 6 of patent-splitting arrangement?
- 7 A. No, there's not.
- Q. And you've now read the second part of that
- 9 sentence, we're still on page 43. Do you agree with --
- 10 basically with complaint counsel's position here, "This
- 11 case does not challenge the settlement of patent
- 12 disputes by an agreement on a date of entry, standing
- 13 alone, or the agreement (sic) of fair market value in
- 14 connection with 'side deals' to such an agreement"?
- 15 A. I think you misspoke if it matters, "or the
- payment of fair market value"? I just had a chance to
- 17 read along here.
- 18 Q. Yes, "or the payment of fair market value in
- 19 connection with 'side deals' to such an agreement."
- 20 A. I think that's a wise decision by complaint
- counsel, which here is consistent with good public
- 22 policy.
- Q. Let's put up on the screen tab 15, I believe.
- 24 This is Professor Bresnahan's testimony, and I think
- 25 we've heard this before, but I wanted to get your

- opinion about it, so we're starting at -- we're at
- 2 1021, we're starting at line 7, and I'm going to go to
- 3 line 21.
- 4 "QUESTION: Now, let's say life isn't so simple
- 5 and the parties say we want one global deal tonight and
- 6 we want to get this settled. Are you telling me that
- 7 Schering-Plough needs to do some kind of ordinary
- 8 course of business assessment of the licensing in order
- 9 to be safe with this valuation calculation, sir?
- "ANSWER: In order to be safe? I would -- you
- 11 asked me this question in deposition, and I answered it
- 12 as I just answered it. If you wanted to be safe, the
- thing to do would be break the linkage."
- 14 Let me stop right there and ask you, if
- 15 Professor Bresnahan is correct that litigants could
- only be safe by negotiating patent settlements without
- 17 a side deal, what would be the impact on these sort of
- 18 deals?
- 19 MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor,
- 20 misstates the witness' testimony.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, let me rephrase the
- 22 question.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
- 24 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 25 Q. If Professor Bresnahan is correct in what he

1 stated here, how would that -- how would that -- what

- 2 would the impact be of that on social welfare?
- 3 MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor. I think
- 4 that the question -- the linkage of due diligence as a
- 5 predicate to entering into a settlement is beyond the
- 6 scope of what Dr. Willig has opined on in his report.
- 7 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No, Dr. Willig opined in his
- 8 report on exactly I think this issue, which is what
- 9 we're talking about now, which is whether
- 10 patent-splitting agreements are a good thing if they
- 11 have side deals. So, now we're asking -- now what
- 12 we're asking Dr. Willig is if the patent-splitting
- agreement -- what we're asking him is what is the
- 14 welfare impact if you're not -- if you can't be safe
- doing such agreements?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Well, respectfully, I think the
- 17 question asked whether or not there was some concern
- about whether you could enter into a deal tonight
- 19 without doing any due diligence and knowing anything
- 20 about the properties that were being exchanged, and I
- 21 think the answer was that -- as he stated, but that's a
- 22 quite different thing from the question of whether or
- 23 not you can enter into side deals.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, let me -- rather than
- 25 argue this, let me rephrase the question.

- 1 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Professor Willig, if you can't be safe doing
- 3 side deals without net consideration in trying to
- 4 settle a patent dispute, what kind of social welfare
- 5 impact would that have?
- A. I think there would be a negative impact on
- 7 social welfare if the opportunity to link side deals to
- 8 agreements that would settle the principal patent
- 9 dispute were somehow chilled, suppressed, made less
- 10 likely, made more dangerous as a result of a
- 11 competition policy that were put into effect by an
- 12 agency such as this one.
- Q. What impact would that have on people's degree
- of certainty?
- 15 A. If the parties to an underlying patent dispute
- 16 who were attempting to reach a settlement of that
- 17 dispute found themselves in a position where it were
- dangerous for them to link a side deal, whether or not
- 19 they think it involved net consideration, because of
- 20 legal problems that they feel might afflict them if
- 21 they took that step, it would make it harder for them
- 22 to reach a settlement of the underlying litigation, and
- that means that they, as enterprises, would wind up
- 24 bearing more risk.
- 25 It means that our judicial system would wind up

- 1 with more litigation that could otherwise be adverted
- 2 if there were different policy about side deals with or
- 3 without net consideration.
- Q. Let's go now into your next conclusion. That
- 5 relates to patent-splitting agreements that are
- 6 accompanied by a side deal with the payment of net
- 7 consideration to the patent holder. What is your
- 8 conclusion relating to such -- to such arrangements?
- 9 A. My conclusion is that it would be a real
- 10 mistake to prohibit them, because side deals linked to
- 11 settlements of patent disputes where there is net
- 12 consideration, where there's a finding of such net
- consideration, even where that is clear, can very well
- 14 be essential in order for the parties to be able to
- settle their underlying dispute at all.
- 16 Moreover, my analysis shows that some of the
- 17 settlements that can be attained through linking a side
- deal with net consideration to the settlement of the
- 19 patent dispute can, in fact, be socially desirable for
- 20 all concerned, both the parties and assuredly consumers
- 21 as well.
- Q. Okay. What is your understanding about the
- 23 nature of Professor Bresnahan's concern about such
- 24 arrangements?
- 25 A. Professor Bresnahan reaches the opposite

- 1 conclusion. He seems to assert -- he does assert that
- 2 the mere finding of the payment of net consideration in
- 3 a side deal that is linked means necessarily that
- 4 consumers are harmed by the entire settlement.
- 5 Q. Okay. And how does he -- how does he
- 6 determine -- why does he determine that the outcome of
- 7 that settlement is worse than the outcome of
- 8 litigation?
- 9 A. The starting place for his analysis is his view
- 10 that the reservation time for the entry of the
- 11 litigating entrant as viewed by the incumbent is right
- 12 at the mean time of entry under litigation. That's
- 13 really his starting place. If I had a demonstrative,
- 14 perhaps I could point to it.
- 15 Q. We will go into that fairly soon.
- 16 Are you both comparing the same thing in terms
- 17 of looking at the social welfare impact? And I mean by
- that, are you comparing the date of entry under
- 19 settlement with the likely date of entry under
- 20 litigation?
- 21 A. Yes, Professor Bresnahan is reaching his
- 22 conclusion on the basis of a comparison between the
- 23 entry date under the settlement as compared to the mean
- 24 probable entry date under litigation.
- Q. What do you mean by "mean probable entry date"?

- 1 A. Well, under litigation, there is no sure thing.
- 2 There's the possibility of a very early entry date if
- 3 it is the -- excuse me, the litigating entrant who
- 4 prevails, who were to prevail in the patent dispute,
- 5 and that has some likelihood attached to it. And on
- 6 the other hand, if the incumbent patent holder were to
- 7 prevail, then the entry date would be delayed until the
- 8 end of the patent life, and that has some probability
- 9 attached to it.
- 10 When I say the mean probable entry date under
- 11 litigation, what I'm talking about is the average, the
- 12 weighted average of those two dates, taking into
- account those probabilities, which I like to talk about
- 14 under the rubric of the underlying merits of the patent
- dispute, which in my model comes down to the comparison
- of these probabilities to each other.
- 17 Q. Now, if you're comparing those two things and
- 18 Professor Bresnahan's comparing those two things, where
- do you differ with Professor Bresnahan?
- 20 A. Well, let me say first of all that while our
- 21 basic approach in this regard is very much in sync with
- 22 each other, in my own work I try to focus on the
- 23 consumer perspective, on the mean probable date of
- 24 entry under litigation, and there are some of my
- analyses under which that's actually significantly

- 1 different than simply the probabilistic -- the
- 2 statistical version of that same mean. And Professor
- 3 Bresnahan doesn't incorporate those kinds of factors in
- 4 his analysis, so there we use this construct in
- 5 somewhat different fashions.
- Q. And I think you were saying that net payments
- 7 do not always have an adverse social welfare effect.
- 8 Is that right?
- 9 A. That is right.
- 10 Q. Okay. Then why is Professor Bresnahan wrong in
- thinking that net payments always have such an effect?
- 12 A. You say why is he wrong or is he wrong?
- 13 Q. Is he wrong?
- 14 A. He is wrong, yes.
- 15 Q. And why is he wrong?
- 16 A. He's wrong because his formulation, his
- 17 analysis, leaves out a number of elements of the
- 18 context which I think are relevant or even endemic to
- 19 situations of this kind, and people who do economic
- 20 analysis always have to leave something out. We're
- 21 just doing models. But in this instance, the elements
- 22 that Professor Bresnahan chose to omit from his
- 23 analysis actually swing the conclusions rather
- 24 drastically.
- 25 Q. You mentioned earlier a reservation date. What

- 1 is a reservation date?
- 2 A. I mean by that term -- the reservation date for
- 3 the patent-holding incumbent is the earliest date at
- 4 which the incumbent would be willing to come to an
- 5 agreement for the entry of the litigating entrant.
- Q. Okay, I'm going to ask you to try to illustrate
- 7 this using a chart.
- Your Honor, may the witness go to the easel?
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, he may.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 11 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 12 Q. Okay, we're looking at tab 17. This is SPX
- 13 2332, demonstrative for identification, and looking for
- 14 the Cash-Strapped Generic.
- 15 A. Who's doing my blocking?
- 16 Well, this is a picture that is one of a
- 17 sequence that I hope to have the opportunity to use,
- and so it's worthwhile for me to explain some of the
- 19 basic elements of the demonstrative.
- 20 Q. Why don't we start with the yellow line on the
- 21 demonstrative. What is that?
- 22 A. Let's start with the yellow line on the
- 23 demonstrative. This is the time line. The time line
- 24 begins at the time when settlement negotiations are
- 25 taking place. This is the beginning of the frame of

- 1 time that's being pictured here. The end point of the
- 2 yellow line is the time that corresponds to the end of
- 3 the patent life. So, this is a portrayal of the time
- 4 line that holds the action for the analysis.
- 5 Q. I think, Professor Willig, I can barely read it
- from there even though we blew this up. Maybe we can
- 7 move this forward a little. That may be a little more
- 8 helpful.
- 9 Okay, to illustrate the point you want to
- 10 illustrate, what else do we need to identify on this
- 11 demonstrative?
- 12 A. This line here signifies the time that is the
- 13 probable date of entry under litigation. It's that
- 14 statistical average from the consumer's perspective
- that I was just explaining. It's literally the mean of
- 16 the time when the entrant would be permitted and
- 17 actually be able to function in the market were the
- 18 entrant to prevail in the patent litigation, mixed in,
- in the sense of an average, with the time when the
- 20 entrant would be able to come in were it the case that
- 21 the patent-holding incumbent were to prevail in the
- 22 patent litigation.
- 23 So, it's sometime in the middle, and how far it
- is as between the two end points of the time line
- depends upon the merits of the underlying patent

- 1 litigation. Here, it's drawn somewhere in the middle,
- 2 reflecting something like a 50/50 or a 60/40
- 3 probability of the patent suit going one way or the
- 4 other. So, it's a marker.
- 5 Q. What about the "Consumers Prefer These
- 6 Settlements to Litigation," what does that box mean?
- 7 A. Well, the box just holds the logo. The arrow
- 8 actually displays the different times when entry might
- 9 be allowed under various possible settlements, and the
- 10 arrow shows the set of those times that consumers would
- 11 prefer to litigation. Notice that the arrow runs up to
- 12 the mean probable date of entry under litigation,
- because that's the mean, the average time of entry,
- 14 that consumers would have to their benefit under
- litigation, so any earlier time would be preferable for
- 16 consumers in this particular formulation.
- 17 By the way, that won't always be the case in
- other forms of this analysis, but for this one, this is
- 19 indeed the case.
- 20 Q. What about the I quess pink box on the top, do
- 21 we need that to illustrate the point?
- 22 A. Well, the pink box illustrates the settlement
- 23 entry dates that the incumbent will be willing to
- settle for, again, as against the backdrop of
- 25 litigation. As drawn here, the arrow labeled with the

- 1 pink box shows all of those times that the incumbent
- 2 would prefer or be indifferent to as compared to
- 3 litigation, but this is not the right location of the
- 4 arrow under Professor Bresnahan's formulation.
- 5 Q. Well, first, why does the arrow go past the
- 6 mean probable date of entry under litigation?
- 7 A. In this display, as the box tries to remind us,
- 8 because of risk aversion or other litigation costs that
- 9 are experienced by the incumbent, were litigation to go
- forward, the incumbent is willing to give up some time
- 11 relative to the mean probable date of entry under
- 12 litigation in order to have a settlement. A settlement
- 13 conveys benefits to the incumbent, avoiding the risk
- 14 and avoiding other litigation costs, and that's why in
- this display the arrow moves to the left of the mean
- 16 probable date.
- 17 Q. Okay. Now, you began to mention how Professor
- 18 Bresnahan would view this.
- 19 A. Right --
- 20 Q. Can you tell us --
- 21 A. -- and in Professor Bresnahan's analysis, this
- line, which depicts the acceptable settlement entry
- dates for the incumbent, never goes to the left of the
- 24 mean probable date -- at the risk of --
- Q. We've got others. Go ahead.

- 1 A. Okay. Instead, for Professor Bresnahan, the
- 2 arrow ends right there, so this part does not apply,
- 3 and for his analysis, at least the way he reaches his
- 4 conclusion, it's always the case that the incumbent's
- 5 set of acceptable entry dates ends right at the mean
- 6 probable date.
- 7 Q. And you mentioned the word "reservation date."
- 8 What does this analysis have to do with the reservation
- 9 date?
- 10 A. The reservation date is just I think a helpful
- term that applies to for the incumbent the left-hand
- 12 side of the arrow, what is that date. That's the
- earliest date at which the incumbent will accept entry
- in the context of a settlement.
- 15 Likewise, just to get it off my chest, we can
- 16 talk about the reservation date for the generic, the
- 17 litigating entrant, as well, and from the point of view
- of the litigating entrant, the reservation date is the
- 19 right-hand side of that arrow, the arrow that applies
- 20 to the entrant.
- 21 Q. Now, is it the risk aversion that's affecting
- 22 the entry date -- excuse me, the reservation date?
- 23 A. For the incumbent, it's the combination of
- 24 litigation costs and risk aversion.
- 25 Q. Okay.

- 1 A. Either of those will pull it to the left.
- Q. Why don't you go back to your seat, and I'm
- 3 going to ask you some more questions on risk aversion.
- 4 Let's put up tab 2 on the screen. This is some
- 5 testimony from Professor Bresnahan at 1150 of the
- 6 transcript, and we're going to be looking at line 9
- 7 through line 18.
- 8 A. Tab 2?
- 9 Q. Tab 2, yes, line 9 through line 18. Do you see
- 10 it there?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Okay, let me read it then.
- "QUESTION: Okay. Do you want to give us the
- other definition while we're at it?
- 15 "ANSWER: Sure. A person is risk averse if
- 16 they would turn down a fair bet against something that
- 17 had the same expected pay-off. That's what I mean by a
- 18 'fair bet.'
- "QUESTION: And to finish that thought, would a
- 20 risk averse person take a more certain amount of money
- 21 that was lower than the value of the fair bet?
- 22 "ANSWER: Yes."
- Do you agree with that definition of risk
- 24 aversion?
- 25 A. That does agree with my definition. There's

1 obviously different ways to articulate it, but I think

- 2 that way is accurate.
- 3 Q. Let me ask you about insurance policies. Is
- 4 insurance policies a fair bet?
- 5 A. It depends upon how well you shop for your
- 6 insurance policy. We like to think that in a
- 7 competitive insurance market that the proffer of the
- 8 policy is a fair bet in the sense that you're not
- 9 charged any more for the policy than is the expected
- value of the risk actually worth to the company.
- 11 Q. And how does -- how does -- what is the -- how
- does the insurance policy affect the bearing of risk?
- 13 A. Right, so I buy -- economic agents buy
- insurance policies so as to offload the risk of the
- underlying loss from their own shoulders and move it
- 16 over to the insurance company. So, if, God forbid, my
- 17 car should blow up and I lose the \$20,000 value of the
- 18 car, if the insurance agent is doing her job, then I'd
- 19 call her up and say, my car blew up, give me a new car
- 20 tomorrow, or \$20,000 would be just fine, thank you, and
- 21 hopefully the insurance company will make good its
- 22 promise.
- So, therefore, even without my car actually
- 24 blowing up, the risk that my car would blow up is not
- on my shoulders. It has been taken off my shoulders by

- 1 the insurance company.
- Q. Are you familiar with the term "risk premium"?
- 3 A. Yeah.
- 4 Q. Can you define that for us?
- 5 A. Yes, the risk premium is the most I would be
- 6 willing to pay to offload the risk. So, it's not the
- 7 same as the insurance premium, because that's what the
- 8 insurance company is requiring that I pay in order to
- 9 offload the risk onto them, but the risk premium is the
- value to me of getting out from under the risk.
- 11 Q. Okay, let's talk some more about risk aversion.
- 12 How does risk aversion affect the investment
- that managers are willing to make for their companies?
- 14 A. A manager who is risk averse or whose company
- is risk averse tries to fashion investment decisions in
- 16 a way that takes cognizance of the risk and tries to
- 17 avoid unnecessary risks, trading off risk and return.
- 18 The manager will understand that an investment that has
- 19 a riskier posture than some other investment is for
- 20 that reason alone less valuable, and so it needs a
- 21 higher expected return, putting the risk aside, in
- order to compensate for the additional risk.
- 23 O. Can risk aversion result in less investment?
- 24 A. Risk aversion certainly does result in less
- 25 investment, because the aversion to risk itself causes

- 1 the firm to step away from investments that it might
- 2 otherwise make, but in the corporate environment, the
- 3 most direct interaction, at least at some level of
- 4 perspective, is the cost of capital to the corporation,
- 5 and the riskier is the posture of the corporate
- 6 holdings, the higher is the cost of capital, and if the
- 7 cost of capital is higher, then investment becomes less
- 8 desirable.
- 9 At the same time, even apart from the cost of
- 10 capital, if the outcomes in the applicable portion of
- 11 the company's business are uncertain, then that's an
- 12 extra reason for the company, first of all, to wait, to
- delay investment until some of the uncertainty clears,
- and second of all, the company that doesn't entirely
- wait -- and it's not always the right thing to do to
- 16 wait until all uncertainty clears, uncertainty never
- 17 fully goes away -- mistakes are going to be made as a
- 18 result of the risk, because you don't correctly always
- 19 foresee the future.
- The riskier the future is, the more likely you
- 21 are to misjudge and therefore make the wrong investment
- decision today as a result of that risk.
- O. How common is risk aversion?
- 24 A. I think risk aversion is generally prevalent
- 25 both among individuals and among corporate institutions

- 1 in their decision making.
- Q. Let's turn to tab 4, put some passages up on
- 3 the screen. The first one is from Paul Samuelson and
- 4 William Nordhaus. Who is Paul Samuelson?
- 5 A. Paul Samuelson in some ways is one of the
- originators of modern economics. He's one of the first
- 7 Nobel Laureates in the field, and, of course, his Econ
- 8 1 textbook was almost universally read by 30 years of
- 9 econ students.
- 10 Q. Let me read it to you.
- "People are generally risk averse, preferring a
- 12 sure thing to uncertain levels of consumption; people
- prefer outcomes with less uncertainty and the same
- 14 average values. For this reason, activities that
- reduce the uncertainties of consumption lead to
- improvements in economic welfare."
- Do you agree with that?
- 18 A. Yes, I do.
- 19 Q. And how do they lead to improvements in
- 20 economic welfare?
- 21 A. For all the reasons that we've been talking
- 22 about. This is -- reducing uncertainties means
- 23 reducing risk, and that has all the beneficial elements
- that we've been discussing.
- Q. Okay, now I'd like you to turn to tab 3, and

- 1 how common is risk aversion within companies?
- 2 A. I think the general presumption is that there
- 3 is risk aversion underlying the decision-making of most
- 4 companies.
- 5 Q. Okay, let's look at the second quote on the
- 6 page from Frederick Scherer. Who is Frederick Scherer?
- 7 A. Ah, Frederick Scherer, he's a very well-known
- 8 industrial organization economist who in some sense is
- 9 also one of the founders of the modern field of
- industrial organization. His textbook also was read by
- 11 many generations of scholars in industrial organization
- 12 to this day. He was a chief economist at the Federal
- 13 Trade Commission for a while, well-known consultant,
- 14 very long list of important articles in the field.
- 15 Q. Okay, let me read you his quote.
- 16 "Only the decision maker who attaches no
- 17 significance whatsoever to avoiding risk will always
- 18 choose alternatives with the highest best-guess
- 19 payoffs. And such managers, empirical studies suggest,
- 20 are rare."
- Do you agree with Professor Scherer?
- 22 A. I think that's right in my judgment.
- Q. How does one go about determining whether a
- 24 company is risk averse?
- 25 A. Well, I think first and foremost, it's actually

- a fair presumption that companies tend to be risk
- 2 averse in the sense of risk aversion being one way to
- 3 explain, an economist's way to articulate, the
- 4 sensitivity to risk that does underlie a great deal of
- 5 corporate decision-making.
- I should say in that context that risk aversion
- 7 is a phrase that lots of economists like to use to
- 8 describe this phenomenon, but it's by no means a
- 9 universal phrase in the business community. I think if
- 10 I asked a typical businessperson, are you risk averse,
- is your company risk averse, it's hard to know how they
- would respond to that, but if you look at corporate
- decision-making, it's commonplace to see that corporate
- 14 decision-making does take risk into account in the very
- way that risk aversion would help to explain through
- 16 the economic perspective.
- 17 Q. What about individual managers of companies,
- 18 are they also risk averse?
- 19 A. Individual managers are quite likely to be risk
- 20 averse in the sense that they are humans, and humans
- 21 tend to be risk averse about their own personal
- 22 finances, their own personal economy.
- 23 Within the corporate setting, individual
- 24 managers will naturally, where they have discretion
- 25 over decision-making, will be in some ways making

- decisions that reflect their own judgment, their own
- 2 taste, and their own personal risk aversion as well to
- 3 the extent that the decisions they make wind up
- 4 influencing their own personal prosperity.
- 5 That would be the case where they're
- 6 compensated by the corporation in terms that reflect
- 7 the outcomes of the decisions they make on their
- 8 portion of the business, both in the short run and the
- 9 long run. I'm thinking about your annual bonus if
- 10 you're an executive, but perhaps even more importantly,
- 11 the entire course of your career you might feel as a
- 12 manager is affected by how people in your hierarchy
- judge what your results have been as a manager over the
- part of the business where you have managerial
- 15 authority and discretion.
- 16 Q. Does economic theory tell us something about
- 17 how risk is likely to affect a patent holder or a
- branded incumbent's negotiations in settling patent
- 19 litigation?
- 20 A. Well, as we were discussing at the
- 21 demonstrative, the first and foremost way that you can
- see that in the demonstrative is that the prevalence of
- 23 risk aversion on the part of the incumbent patent
- 24 holder tends to move the reservation date to the early
- 25 side of the mean probable date of entry under

- 1 litigation. I think this is probably particularly
- 2 salient for the incumbent, for the patent holder, in
- 3 this setting, because it's understood in economics that
- 4 the risk premium, the value of offloading risk, the
- 5 pressure behind the risk and the need to try to
- 6 mitigate it as best as possible, all of these are more
- 7 powerful forces the larger is the amount of money or
- 8 value that is at stake for the corporation.
- 9 And in the setting of the kinds of patent
- 10 disputes that I'm analyzing here, it's the incumbent
- 11 who has the greatest amount of profit or value at
- 12 stake, because certainly under the Bresnahan assumption
- 13 number one where there's a monopoly, there's monopoly
- 14 profit at stake, whereas for the litigating entrant,
- what that firm has to gain or lose is not so-called
- 16 assumed monopoly profit but instead the profit flow
- 17 that would come from a number two or a number three
- 18 competitor in the market, and that's necessarily and
- 19 understood to be a smaller amount of money at stake
- 20 than that which is at stake and therefore at risk on
- 21 the part of the incumbent. So, more risk aversion
- because there's more money at stake.
- Q. Okay, let's -- I want to turn to tab 5. This
- is the rebuttal expert report of Professor Timothy
- 25 Bresnahan. We are going to be looking at page 1, and

1 the paragraph I want to look at is the last paragraph

- 2 on the page, and the -- I'm going to start with the
- 3 second sentence in that paragraph.
- 4 Have you found that, Professor Willig?
- 5 A. Yes, thank you.
- Q. "A risk averse patent holder is willing to
- 7 settle for an entry date that is earlier than the
- 8 expected entry date under litigation in order to gain
- 9 certainty. Risk aversion makes settlement more likely,
- 10 but does not explain why the form of the settlement
- should involve a reverse payment. To develop a theory
- 12 that justifies a reverse payment, Professor Willig must
- 13 combine risk aversion with an explanation for why the
- entrant is unwilling to accept the earliest entry date
- that a risk averse patent holder would be willing to
- offer."
- 17 What I'd like you to do is -- let's -- what
- we're going to do is we're going to focus on the first
- 19 few sentences there. So, let me just read those.
- 20 "A risk averse patent holder is willing to
- 21 settle for an entry date that is earlier than the
- 22 expected entry date under litigation in order to gain
- 23 certainty. Risk aversion makes settlement more
- 24 likely." Let's just stop there.
- Now I want you to look at a second quote, and

- 1 then I am going to ask you questions about both of
- 2 those. So, let's go to tab 4, this is SPX 2295, and
- 3 we're looking now at the quote from Kenneth Arrow.
- 4 Who is Kenneth Arrow?
- 5 A. Kenneth Arrow is another truly great modern
- 6 economist who, like Paul Samuelson, was one of the
- 7 founders of modern economics, early Nobel Laureate.
- 8 He's actually still an active researcher, lecturer,
- 9 holds a professorship at Stanford right now.
- 10 Q. Let me read this quote.
- "From the time of Bernoulli on, it has been
- 12 common to argue that (a) individuals tend to display
- aversion to the taking of risks, and (b) that risk
- 14 aversion in turn is an explanation for many observed
- 15 phenomena in the economic world."
- 16 Now, Professor, I would like you to go back to
- 17 your demonstrative that we have up there, this was at
- 18 tab 17, and I'd like you to see if you can just explain
- 19 to us, using the demonstrative, Professor Bresnahan's
- 20 point where he says, "A risk averse patent holder is
- 21 willing to settle for an entry date that is earlier
- than the expected entry date under litigation in order
- 23 to gain certainty."
- A. His point in that sentence is that the
- 25 applicable arrow here is not the one that I scratched

- out but instead the one that I had drawn originally,
- 2 which moves to the left of the mean probable date of
- 3 entry under litigation. In that sentence, Professor
- 4 Bresnahan is saying that I had it right the first time
- 5 instead of after I scratched it out, and the reason I
- 6 scratched it out is not because Professor Bresnahan
- 7 actually wrote that sentence but because the analysis
- 8 that Professor Bresnahan utilizes to reach his
- 9 conclusion that's important to this case, the so-called
- 10 Bresnahan rule, that conclusion is based on an arrow
- 11 that necessarily stops here, although in this picture
- 12 and in that quotation by Professor Bresnahan, the arrow
- would move to the left of that mean probable date as
- 14 originally pictured.
- 15 Q. Is Professor Bresnahan ignoring what he said in
- 16 that sentence when he draws his -- when he comes to his
- 17 reservation date?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. How is -- how does the Arrow quote
- 20 figure into this analysis?
- 21 A. The good Professor Arrow is saying that the
- 22 arrow would generally be moving to the left of the mean
- 23 probable date. It says risk aversion is a general
- 24 phenomenon. As a result, when one draws a picture like
- 25 this, the way accurately to draw it, it would be to

1 have the arrow extend to the left of the mean probable

- 2 date of entry.
- Moreover, Professor Arrow is saying that one
- 4 can only understand a great deal of important economic
- 5 phenomena through the lens of allowing there to be risk
- 6 aversion. This is not just a theoretical nicety in the
- 7 view of Professor Arrow; rather, an essential part of
- 8 our ability to understand real behavior, business
- 9 behavior, as well as policy under circumstances where
- 10 risk is important.
- 11 Q. Now, if you would have your seat again for just
- 12 a minute, I'd like to now go to the second part of that
- 13 statement in tab 5 at page 1, which says, "To develop a
- theory that justifies a reverse payment, Professor
- Willig must combine risk aversion with an explanation
- 16 for why the entrant is unwilling to accept the earliest
- 17 entry date that a risk averse patent holder would be
- 18 willing to offer."
- Do you see that sentence?
- 20 A. I'm just getting to it now, actually. Yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. Are there reasons that an entrant would
- 22 not accept the earliest date that a risk averse patent
- 23 holder is willing to offer?
- 24 A. Yes, I think there are perhaps many and
- 25 certainly several reasons why that might be the case.

1 Q. Okay. Can you give me -- can you give me an

- 2 example of one?
- 3 A. One example would bring us to the title of this
- demonstrative, namely, the Cash-Strapped Generic.
- 5 Q. Okay. Professor, would you go back to our
- 6 board again? I know I'm treating you like a yo-yo
- 7 here.
- 8 A. I'm glad you said that, Counsel.
- 9 Q. Can you show us -- can you show us now -- we're
- 10 talking about tab 17 again, which is the Cash-Strapped
- 11 Generic, and that is SPX 2332. Can you show us your
- 12 understanding of the impact of net consideration in
- 13 Professor Bresnahan's model?
- 14 A. Yes. Suppose with Professor Bresnahan that we
- start with the concept that the incumbent will not
- 16 accept any settlements that are to the left of the mean
- 17 probable date, and that would flow from Professor
- Bresnahan's analysis as pictured here under the
- 19 circumstances that the incumbent has no risk aversion,
- 20 no other substantial litigation costs, and some of the
- 21 other cases that I handle and will have the chance to I
- 22 hope describe later on don't apply as well. So, for
- 23 Professor Bresnahan, the starting place, the
- 24 reservation date is always the main probable date of
- 25 entry under litigation.

1 Then Professor Bresnahan goes on to say that if

- 2 net consideration were paid out by the incumbent, then
- 3 that payment must move the reservation date to the
- 4 later side, that the fact, if there were to be a
- finding, the fact of that payment must be compensated
- for the incumbent by a movement of the reservation date
- 7 out to the right.
- 8 And here's where Professor Bresnahan's logical
- 9 conclusion, based on his narrow and I think unreliable
- 10 foundations, this is where his conclusion follows,
- 11 because as you can see from the picture, if you have to
- 12 start at the mean probable date of entry as the
- 13 location of the reservation date, and if net
- 14 consideration is paid which must move the line, the
- reservation line, out to the right, then Professor
- 16 Bresnahan notices that given those two ifs, the
- 17 conclusion is that any settlement that the incumbent
- will accept must be to the right of the mean probable
- 19 date of entry and therefore later than the date that
- 20 signifies the break-even point for consumers relative
- 21 to litigation. So, that's why Professor Bresnahan says
- 22 if there is net consideration paid, then the result
- 23 must be a bad thing for consumers.
- Q. Okay, why don't we look at now the arrow that
- 25 was originally drawn, "With risk aversion or other

1 litigation costs, the incumbent will accept these

- 2 settlements."
- What happens if you have net consideration
- 4 under those circumstances?
- 5 A. So, if the reservation date for the incumbent
- is not the mean probable date, but rather, a date on
- 7 the early side of the mean probable date, because of
- 8 risk aversion, other litigation costs or other forces,
- 9 then if net consideration were paid, that would,
- 10 indeed, move the reservation date to the right, as
- 11 Professor Bresnahan noted, but now the result of that
- 12 movement to the right can still be on the earlier side
- of the mean probable date of entry, thereby leading to
- 14 a settlement with an entry date that is positively
- favorable for consumers relative to the mean probable
- 16 date of entry.
- 17 Q. Does that have to be the outcome?
- 18 A. It doesn't have to be the outcome, but the
- 19 opportunity to use a side deal with net consideration
- 20 under these circumstances opens up the opportunity for
- 21 settlements that might otherwise be impossible that are
- favorable, positively favorable, for consumers.
- 23 Q. With net consideration in this model, you said
- 24 it's not possible. Does that mean it is possible that
- 25 with net consideration and risk aversion you could

- 1 still have an anti-competitive settlement?
- 2 A. Yes, it could.
- 3 Q. Why don't you take your seat again for a
- 4 minute.
- 5 So, let's go back to tab 5 again at 1 where
- 6 Professor Bresnahan says, "A risk averse patent holder
- 7 is willing to settle for an entry date that is earlier
- 8 than the expected entry date under litigation in order
- 9 to gain certainty."
- 10 Given that quote, how can Professor Bresnahan
- 11 possibly conclude that net consideration always takes
- 12 you past a mean probable entry date?
- 13 A. He could only reach that conclusion by
- employing an analysis that absolutely neglects his own
- 15 assertion here.
- 16 Q. Okay. So far we have considered Professor
- 17 Bresnahan's comparison between entry date under
- 18 settlement versus the entry date under litigation. Are
- 19 there other possible comparisons an economist might
- 20 want to make?
- 21 A. Yes, I think there might be.
- Q. And what are those?
- 23 A. Well, we've been talking here about comparing
- 24 the entry date under the patent settlement with the
- 25 mean probable date under litigation, but it's at least

- 1 possible to think about comparing the date of entry
- 2 under the settlement that is being analyzed with the
- 3 entry date under some other settlement that might be
- 4 conceived of as a real practical alternative.
- 5 Q. And how would an economist want to go about
- 6 looking at that?
- 7 A. Well, an economist would perhaps worry that
- 8 there might be such an alternative, and that would
- 9 provide a standard of comparison that would suggest the
- 10 actual entry date under the real settlement is later
- 11 than it would otherwise necessarily have to be, but the
- 12 way to go about that is through direct evidence.
- 13 If I were advising an administrative agency in
- this respect, I would certainly advise that this would
- be the kind of analysis that would require a direct
- 16 inquiry, direct evidence of such an actual practical
- 17 alternative other settlement that involved earlier
- entry and therefore were preferable for consumers.
- 19 Q. Okay, let's look at tab 16. This is another
- 20 part of Professor Bresnahan's testimony, and here we're
- looking at line 13 at 1008, and I am going to go to
- line 3 of the next page, and let me read that for you.
- 23 "QUESTION: Now, I'm listening to your
- testimony, but I'm not sure I'm clear. You don't care
- for the June 17th, 1997 settlement agreement. You

- believe it's anti-competitive, correct?
- 2 "ANSWER: That's correct.
- 3 "QUESTION: What is the scenario that you think
- 4 should have occurred in this case?
- 5 "ANSWER: The -- either settlement with -- just
- for time or litigation. I don't have a view between
- 7 those two, in particular because I don't know whether
- 8 the -- whether the parties could have settled the
- 9 lawsuit without a payment.
- "QUESTION: As you're sitting here today, you
- don't know whether there was another settlement the
- 12 parties could have agreed to. Isn't that correct?
- "ANSWER: Right, that's correct."
- 14 So, if there's no evidence of -- no direct
- evidence of another settlement, are we back to the
- original comparison we were talking about, litigation
- 17 outcomes versus settlement?
- 18 A. That's the only other possible comparison that
- 19 I'm aware of and that I can imagine.
- 20 Q. Okay. So far, you've said that net
- 21 consideration may not postpone entry compared to
- 22 litigation. Are there circumstances where net
- consideration may be necessary for the parties to
- 24 obtain any settlement at all?
- 25 A. Yes, I've analyzed a number of such situations.

1 Q. And is one of them the cash-strapped situation

- 2 we've talked about here?
- 3 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Okay, why don't we go back up there, and since
- 5 you've drawn on that one, maybe -- I think there's
- 6 another board that we can put up.
- 7 Your Honor, with your indulgence, I'll go help
- 8 the Professor put that board up.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- 10 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Thank you.
- 11 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 12 Q. I think we have explained part of this
- demonstrative so far, and we are still at tab 17, SPX
- 14 2332. Can you explain the additional features of this
- demonstrative which are necessary to draw your
- 16 conclusions?
- 17 A. Yes, well, note first we're back to the arrow
- 18 for the incumbent that reflects risk aversion or other
- 19 litigation costs. I also should mention that the
- 20 reservation times for the incumbent and the generic are
- 21 here, as they're pictured, linked to them having
- 22 accurate assessments of the strength of the underlying
- 23 patent litigation. They agree with each other, and
- they agree with the outside observer about those
- 25 probabilities.

- 1 There's still risk. There's still a
- 2 probability, but they agree on those probabilities.
- 3 They are neither optimistic nor pessimistic. They're
- 4 realistic about the underlying risk.
- 5 The added element is that the generic here is
- 6 what I colorfully call cash-strapped, which is just
- 7 meant to connote the idea that the generic has a need
- 8 for cash on the earlier side, for whatever reason, but
- 9 being cash-strapped would certainly seem to be one kind
- 10 of rationale.
- 11 Of course, all economic actors, as economists
- 12 see it, want more money and want more money earlier,
- earlier is better, but that's not the situation that
- 14 this demonstrative pictures; rather pictures the case
- that the generic has a special need to have cash flow
- 16 positive on the early side for its own reasons, either
- 17 to undergird its ability to do business or because of
- its investors, for whatever reason, it just needs
- 19 money, and it needs money earlier.
- 20 Under those conditions, the reservation time
- 21 for the generic is necessarily way earlier than it
- 22 would otherwise be if it weren't cash-strapped. If it
- weren't cash-strapped, it would be willing to wait
- 24 until the mean probable date or as reflected by its
- 25 risk aversion or other considerations, but here,

- 1 because of its need for early cash, it just can't or
- 2 it's not willing to wait for some measure of positive
- 3 cash flow.
- 4 The way I explain this to myself -- well, the
- 5 mathematics explains it, but my underlying explanation
- 6 to myself is that if the generic were to go to
- 7 litigation, that would give the generic some chance of
- 8 an early win with early entry which would provide it
- 9 with a cash flow from its ability to be in the market
- on the early side if it were to win.
- Of course, if it were to lose, it doesn't get
- 12 that early cash flow, but then perhaps there's nothing
- much at stake for it anyway if it doesn't find an
- 14 alternative source of cash so as to alleviate its need.
- 15 That makes litigation relatively favorable for the
- 16 generic, because it gives it a road to early cash, and
- 17 therefore, the only kinds of settlements that it's
- willing to accept vis-a-vis the backdrop of that
- 19 litigation is a settlement that will provide it with an
- 20 equivalent or an amount of early cash flow that will
- 21 solve its business problem.
- Q. So, do we have a deal?
- 23 A. Well, we have a real problem here. There's a
- 24 gap. There's no deal as pictured here, and the way to
- 25 see it on the picture is literally the gap between the

1 ends of the arrows that picture the reservation times

- 2 for the incumbent and the litigating generic entrant.
- 3 When their arrows don't reach each other or overlap,
- 4 then there's a gap that means they cannot come to terms
- on any date for entry, and so without something in
- 6 addition, like net consideration, they can't possibly
- 7 reach an agreement to their underlying patent dispute.
- 8 Q. Can they reach an agreement with net
- 9 consideration?
- 10 A. What this picture shows is that if they are
- 11 permitted by their own decision-making and by the legal
- 12 environment to do a side deal that is linked to the
- original dispute and where that side deal does provide
- 14 a flow of net consideration, net consideration provides
- the avenue for the conveyance of cash early to the
- 16 generic, which permits the generic to accept the deal,
- 17 and as shown on the picture, if you follow the orange
- 18 bracket, which for my colorblind eyes looks a lot like
- 19 the yellow I must say, those are the ranges of times
- 20 for mutually agreeable settlements that are opened up
- 21 by the opportunity to link net consideration to the
- 22 settlement of the patent dispute.
- 23 My analysis shows there are those times for
- 24 entry which will satisfy both the incumbent and the
- 25 generic in the linked settlement and also be on the

1 early side of the mean probable date of entry so that

- 2 those settlements with net consideration are favorable
- 3 for consumers.
- Q. And why are they favorable for consumers?
- 5 A. They're favorable for consumers because they
- 6 entail entry that's earlier than the mean probable date
- 7 of entry under litigation.
- 8 Q. Well, if settlements with net consideration
- 9 were banned, how would that impact consumers in this
- 10 particular demonstrative?
- 11 A. If the parties were not enabled, because of a
- 12 ban, to use net consideration, there would be no deal.
- 13 The result would necessarily in this analysis be
- litigation, and the impact of litigation on consumers
- is that it yields consumers only the mean probable date
- of entry under litigation, which is later than the
- 17 entry date that would be enabled by some agreements
- 18 which do entail net consideration.
- 19 O. Are all possible settlements with net
- 20 consideration beneficial to consumers or social
- 21 welfare?
- 22 A. Absolutely not. The orange bracket shows the
- 23 ones that are, but in fact, it's conceivable that there
- 24 would be agreements with more net consideration that
- 25 lie to the right of the mean probable date of entry and

1 that, therefore, would be adverse to consumers'

- 2 interests.
- 3 Q. Can you determine that from the model, whether
- 4 the outcome is going to be welfare-enhancing or not?
- 5 A. No, what the model shows is that without the
- 6 right to use net consideration, it could be impossible
- 7 to attain a socially favorable settlement. The model
- 8 doesn't tell you whether a settlement in and of itself
- 9 is a good one or a bad one for consumers.
- 10 Q. Why don't you take your seat again.
- 11 Well, why won't incumbents always give generics
- 12 so much money in settlements that will push the date
- 13 beyond the entry date under litigation?
- 14 A. A wise incumbent will understand that there's
- 15 legal considerations and antitrust risk that should
- 16 lead it to behave in a cautious manner towards these
- 17 kinds of settlements.
- 18 Q. Is there any basis in economics for assuming
- 19 that an anti-competitive incentive will always result
- in anti-competitive conduct?
- 21 A. We always think when we're doing antitrust
- 22 economics that on the one hand there may be business or
- 23 profit incentives to do things that may or may not be
- legally impermissible but that on the other side there
- 25 is the awareness of the business decision-makers about

- 1 what are the lines that are drawn or the forces that
- 2 bear on them from antitrust, and the whole purpose of
- doing antitrust analysis as an economist is to try to
- 4 infuse antitrust policy with the message which when
- 5 received by the business community will lead to good
- 6 outcomes instead of bad outcomes.
- 7 Q. Let's go back to Professor Bresnahan's
- 8 assumptions and try to compare them to yours.
- 9 What is the underlying assumption in the
- 10 Bresnahan model relating to risk?
- 11 A. That there's absolutely no risk aversion that
- 12 affects the willingness of the incumbent to settle.
- Q. And does that mean that his assumption is risk
- 14 neutrality?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Did you see any proof in Professor Bresnahan's
- 17 testimony of the risk neutrality assumption?
- 18 A. No, as I recall his testimony on the subject,
- 19 he said he saw no signs of risk aversion.
- 20 O. Assuming there was no evidence as to whether
- 21 firms were risk neutral or risk averse, would there be
- 22 a reason to prefer the Bresnahan model to the Willig
- 23 model?
- 24 A. Tricky wording, Counsel. I prefer the Willig
- 25 approach to be sure, because I think that the correct

- 1 general presumption is that risk aversion is an
- 2 important force among corporate decision-makers in the
- 3 presence of risk.
- 4 O. If we throw out the Bresnahan model because of
- 5 the absence of -- because of the use of risk
- 6 neutrality, what then can we say about whether net
- 7 consideration establishes a payment to delay?
- 8 A. In an analytic framework that accepts the idea
- 9 of risk aversion like mine and unlike the one actually
- 10 employed by Professor Bresnahan, a finding of the
- 11 conveyance of net consideration in and of itself cannot
- 12 be the foundation for an inference of anti-competitive
- 13 effect.
- Q. All right, we're going to put up a new
- 15 demonstrative. This is at tab 6. This is SPX 2331.
- With Your Honor's indulgence, I would like
- 17 Professor Willig to go back to the board.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: And if I may, I will help him
- 21 put up the next demonstrative.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Thank you.
- BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Can you identify SPX 2331 for us?

- 1 A. Is that this chart, Counsel?
- 2 Q. That chart, yes.
- A. Okay, this is another demonstrative for my
- 4 analysis.
- 5 Q. And can you explain what misplaced optimism is?
- A. Yes. This chart is very much like the last one
- 7 in terms of the various elements that it has. Once
- 8 again, the reservation time for the incumbent is to the
- 9 left of the mean probable date because of risk aversion
- or other litigation costs, but now what's different
- 11 underlying this analysis is that the possible entering
- generic is optimistic about its chances of prevailing
- in the underlying patent dispute. This is drawn so
- 14 that the incumbent is not pessimistic nor is it
- optimistic but instead has a realistic assessment of
- 16 the chances of prevailing.
- 17 It's not zero one, it's still probabilistic,
- but the incumbent is realistic about that risk, but
- what's pictured here is where the generic is
- 20 excessively optimistic relative to what we, the
- 21 analyst, know to be the true odds, which this analysis
- 22 assumes is information and knowledge shared by the
- incumbent. So, that's what's different.
- 24 That difference drives yet another reason on
- 25 top of the reason that we were just talking about,

1 namely, the cash-strappedness of the generic entrant,

- 2 but here, due to the optimism of the generic, it thinks
- 3 it's got a better shot at winning the patent dispute
- 4 than we, the analyst, know to be the case, and the
- 5 result is that the optimistic generic is holding out
- 6 for a very early entry date, because that's what it
- 7 thinks is equivalent from its point of view to
- 8 litigation, because it thinks it's got especially
- 9 favorable odds of prevailing in that litigation.
- 10 So, the generic will not accept any entry date
- in a pure patent-splitting agreement that is anywhere
- 12 later than the end of its arrow, but like in the
- cash-strapped case, we can see that there is a gap
- between the ends of the arrows, which means that if we
- just stick to a straight patent-splitting agreement,
- 16 there's no deal. These two parties cannot come to an
- 17 agreement. Even though the incumbent is risk averse
- and very anxious to offload the risk, which is why the
- 19 arrow is to the left of the mean, still the
- 20 over-optimism of the generic as pictured overcomes that
- 21 degree of willingness to settle on the part of the
- incumbent, and a gap remains as a result of the
- 23 excessive optimism.
- Q. How can we get a deal in this situation?
- 25 A. In this situation, there's one way to get a

- deal, and that is to permit net consideration to flow
- 2 from the incumbent to the overly optimistic generic.
- 3 That payment of net consideration can close the gap,
- 4 and my analysis shows that in these kinds of situations
- 5 there may very well be a range of settlement dates
- 6 which can be supported by an agreement with a side
- deal, with net consideration, and that moreover, in
- 8 these cases there exist side deals with net
- 9 consideration that still leaves consumers positively
- 10 better off than consumers would be under litigation.
- 11 Q. And what impact would there be on social
- 12 welfare if net consideration was banned in this
- 13 situation?
- 14 A. Well, in this situation, if net consideration
- were not permitted to flow or if it were suppressed or
- 16 discouraged sufficiently by legal policy, mistaken
- 17 policy in my view, then there could be no settlement,
- and consumers would wind up instead facing the outcome
- of litigation, which outcome has this mean probable
- 20 date which is later than what the consumers might
- 21 obtain from a settlement that were made possible by the
- 22 flow of net consideration.
- Q. You've already said that Professor Bresnahan
- 24 assumed risk neutrality in his model. Did he assume
- 25 that generics would not be over-optimistic?

1 A. In his analysis leading to the Bresnahan rule,

- 2 he doesn't seem to take into account optimism or
- 3 pessimism, and yet in his report, when he's introducing
- 4 the entire framework, he does seem to take optimism
- 5 very much into account, but he fails to put the
- 6 optimism together with the rest of his analysis to
- 7 uncover cases of this kind, and cases of this kind are
- 8 totally the opposite, contradictory, to what he asserts
- 9 is his policy conclusion.
- 10 Q. Why don't you take your seat again, and we are
- going to turn to tab 18. This is SPX 2991,
- 12 demonstrative for identification, and we have two
- 13 quotes from Richard Posner.
- Who is Richard Posner?
- 15 A. Richard Posner is the chief judge of the
- 16 Circuit Court in Chicago, Seventh Circuit, but more --
- 17 I shouldn't betray my prejudices, but even more
- important than that, he has had a great career as a
- 19 scholar and is really very much the founder of the
- 20 modern field of law and economics and I think a future
- 21 Nobel Laureate for that purpose.
- 22 Q. Okay, let's -- let me read these two quotes.
- 23 The first one:
- 24 "The three factors thus far identified as
- 25 affecting the decision to settle rather than

- 1 litigate -- the relative costs of litigation and
- 2 settlement, the parties' attitudes toward risk, and
- 3 differences between the parties' judgment of the likely
- 4 outcome if the case is litigated -- are interacting."
- Now let me read the second quote.
- 6 "A settlement negotiation is an example of
- 7 decision making under conditions of uncertainty. In
- 8 such a context, successful completion of the
- 9 negotiation is affected not only by the costs of
- 10 negotiation relative to those of the alternative
- decision-making procedure (here litigation) but also by
- the parties' attitude toward risk and by any
- differences between the parties' judgments on the
- 14 likely outcomes under the alternative procedure."
- In terms of what Judge Posner is identifying
- 16 here, are the conditions here similar or different than
- 17 the conditions in your model?
- 18 A. No, this is a very apt description of some of
- 19 the features of my analysis we've just been discussing.
- 20 The parties' attitude toward risk, mentioned here
- 21 specifically is about risk aversion, and differences
- between the parties' judgments on the likely outcomes
- 23 under the alternative procedure, namely litigation, is
- 24 the element that was just introduced in this
- 25 demonstrative under the rubric of misplaced optimism.

- 1 Q. Professor Willig, did you arrive at your
- 2 conclusions by just drawing things on a chart or did
- 3 you do something else?
- A. No, actually, I don't draw very well. This is
- 5 a demonstrative that illustrates the results of an
- 6 analysis that I undertook using the tools and the
- 7 language of economic analysis, algebra and symbols and
- 8 equations and the like.
- 9 Q. Okay, let's turn to tab 7, SPX 2321, and this
- 10 has several pages in it. Can you identify this for us?
- 11 A. Yes, these are some pages from one of the
- 12 appendices to my report in this case, and this is the
- part that begins to set up the analytic model. In
- 14 particular, it's the part that begins to define the
- notation and is directed at uncovering the private
- incentives to settle, i.e., the analysis that
- 17 undergirds the location of the boxes on the
- demonstratives that portray the incentives of the
- incumbent and the litigating entrant.
- Q. Okay, let's turn to SPX 2326 at tab 19. Can
- 21 you identify this for us?
- 22 A. Uh-huh, that's a diagram that illustrates in a
- 23 more technical mode the analytics that appear in the
- 24 exhibit that we were just talking about.
- Q. And is this part of your report also?

- 1 A. Yes, this was part of my report.
- Q. Let's turn to SPX 2322. This is tab 8. Can
- 3 you tell us what this is?
- 4 A. This is also part of the -- one of the
- 5 appendices to my report. It continues with the
- 6 portrayal of the analytics, in this portion
- 7 particularly focusing on the social evaluation of a
- 8 settlement, i.e., how to understand from the analytics
- 9 whether a particular settlement is one that consumers
- 10 would find favorable to litigation or not.
- 11 Q. Okay, let's turn to SPX 2323, tab 9. Can you
- identify this for us?
- 13 A. This is also a part of one of the appendices to
- 14 my report, and it continues on with the portrayal of
- 15 the analytics that I was just describing, in this case
- 16 going on to represent analytically in the model the
- 17 impacts of risk aversion and also discounting for the
- 18 time value of money.
- 19 O. Let's turn to SPX 2327. This is at tab 20.
- 20 Can you identify this for us?
- 21 A. Yes, this is another pictorial that helps the
- 22 student of algebra and economic analysis better
- 23 understand the impact of the analysis that first shows
- 24 up in the section of the previous exhibit labeled Risk
- 25 Aversion.

1 Q. Let's turn to SPX 2309 at tab 10. Can you

- 2 identify this for us, please?
- 3 A. This is a demonstrative that was completed soon
- 4 after the time of my report which gathers together the
- 5 analytics to complete the analysis of the case
- 6 represented on the picture; namely, settlements with
- 7 misplaced optimism.
- 8 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, we offer into
- 9 evidence SPX 2321, 2322, 2323, 2326, 2327 and 2309.
- 10 MR. GIDLEY: No objection, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Any objection?
- 12 MS. CREIGHTON: Just one moment, Your Honor.
- 13 No objection, Your Honor.
- 14 JUDGE CHAPPELL: SPX 2321, 2322, 2323, 2326,
- 15 2327 and 2309 are admitted.
- 16 (SPX Exhibit Numbers 2321, 2323, 2326, 2327,
- 2309 and 2322 were admitted into evidence.)
- 18 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 19 Q. Professor Willig, I would like you, with Your
- 20 Honor's indulgence, to go back to the board again. We
- 21 are going to try another model. This is SPX 2334, tab
- 22 21.
- With Your Honor's indulgence, I will go help.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Sure, go ahead.
- BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:

- Q. Okay, SPX 2334 is now up on your board, and
- 2 it's Entry by a Third Party. Can you explain what
- "entry by a third party" means?
- A. Yes, this is an illustration of my analysis of
- 5 a situation which is somewhat different than the ones
- 6 just covered in the following respect. This analysis
- 7 assumes that there will be a third party entering this
- 8 market sometime during the time span of the life of the
- 9 patent, and this third-party entrant is not subject to
- 10 the litigation.
- This is not the same thing as the litigating
- 12 entrant. This is another firm who is going to enter,
- and the possibility of that firm's entry is understood
- both by the incumbent and by the litigating entrant.
- So, this is what we say is common knowledge, the fact
- of or the possibility of the third-party entry is
- 17 common knowledge to the other players in this
- 18 circumstance.
- 19 Q. Does the common knowledge relate to certain
- 20 entry?
- 21 A. Actually, the way the algebra is cast, there's
- 22 a certainty to the entry, but I think this model is
- 23 robust. It's just an added complication to the
- 24 mathematics to put in some probabilities of entry at
- 25 different possible times by this third-party entrant.

Q. Okay. How is third-party entry affecting our

- 2 reservation dates here?
- 3 A. Well, it's interesting. Notice from the
- 4 description of the incumbent in the box that in this
- 5 model, I am assuming away risk aversion, and I am
- 6 assuming away litigation costs. I don't assume them
- 7 away because I think they're inapplicable. I continue
- 8 to think that they are applicable, to be sure, but
- 9 following common economic practice, when there's a new
- analysis done that's being driven by a different
- 11 effect, it's really useful analytically to strip away
- 12 as many of the other parts of the backdrop that are
- necessary to provide clarity, provided that that
- doesn't swing the conclusion in an important way.
- Swinging the conclusion by leaving something pertinent
- out is not a good analytic process.
- 17 But here, the differences between the other
- 18 cases and third-party entry cases survive and are
- 19 actually clarified by leaving out the added
- 20 complications of risk aversion and litigation costs.
- 21 So, here, interestingly, the incumbent who expects
- further entry will accept these settlements, and the
- 23 reservation date of entry that the incumbent is willing
- to accept is systematically on the early side of the
- 25 mean probable date of entry under litigation.

1 Let me define a little more clearly here what

- 2 is that mean probable date. Here, this mean probable
- 3 date does not include the entry of the third party.
- 4 Rather, it has the same meaning that it's had on the
- 5 previous demonstratives; namely, it's the mean probable
- date of entry by the litigating entrant, because that's
- 7 the date that is the natural point of comparison with
- 8 the date of entry by the litigating entrant as the date
- 9 of settlement. So, this reflects the date of entry by
- 10 the litigating entrant's entry, not the date of entry
- 11 by the third party.
- 12 So, here the incumbent is willing to go to the
- early side of this mean probable date, and the reason
- basically is that the out-years, the portion of this
- time scale after the entry has occurred by the third
- 16 party, is really of less importance to the incumbent
- 17 because of the extent of competition that will be in
- 18 the market at that time, so the profit opportunity is
- 19 less, which makes that part of the time scale less
- 20 important to the incumbent and therefore pushes the
- 21 time at which the incumbent is willing to settle to the
- 22 left of the mean probable date.
- For the very same kind of reason, the generic,
- 24 who also shares that same expectation of further entry,
- 25 will also only accept these settlements, also moves

1 significantly to the early side of the mean probable

- 2 date of entry. In this model, because the stakes in
- 3 the entry by the third party are different as between
- 4 the incumbent and the generic, their reservation dates
- 5 don't necessarily move to the same extent to the early
- 6 time, and as shown here, because of that difference in
- 7 stake that they have, there is a gap between their
- 8 reservation dates.
- 9 I think the most interesting part of the change
- in the scenario due to the analysis of third-party
- 11 entry is what happens to the impact on consumer
- 12 welfare. Here, as shown, it's quite possible that the
- break-even entry date from the consumer perspective is
- moved to the right of the mean probable date of entry
- under litigation. Here, consumers are willing to wait,
- 16 if they have to -- they would rather not wait -- but if
- 17 they had to wait, they would be willing to wait until
- 18 after the mean probable date of entry for a reason that
- 19 I think is easy to understand from the analysis.
- The biggest benefit that consumers can get
- 21 comes from the portion of the time line when the
- 22 litigating entrant is in and also the third party
- entrant is in, as well as the incumbent being in,
- 24 because in my analysis, I have assumed that when all
- 25 three of those firms are there, the outcome is highly

- 1 competitive, very advantageous to consumers, and so
- 2 consumers really relishing the opportunity to have a
- 3 period of time when that occurs -- and it's bound to
- 4 occur under a settlement and not bound to occur under
- 5 litigation -- are willing to wait longer for entry
- 6 under settlement if they have to. This comes out of
- 7 the math as a real live possibility.
- 8 Q. What happens here if net consideration was
- 9 banned?
- 10 A. There's a systematic gap in the analysis. It's
- 11 not just an area in between, it's a systematic gap
- 12 between the reservation dates of the generic and the
- incumbent in this model because of the entry by the
- 14 third party. So, without net consideration, there is
- not going to be a settlement which entails just a
- 16 patent split date, and as a result, consumers miss out,
- 17 are forced to accept the results of litigation, which
- 18 systematically is not going to give them the benefit of
- 19 having all three parties in the market in the out
- 20 portion of the time period with a high enough
- 21 probability to make consumers fully happy.
- But with net consideration, the gap can be
- 23 closed, as the picture illustrates and the math makes
- 24 clear. There's plenty of circumstances where the
- 25 opportunity to use net consideration creates the

1 opportunity for a mutually advantageous settlement as

- 2 between the incumbent and the generic, settlements
- 3 which can be quite a bit preferable for consumers than
- 4 simply waiting for the litigation to produce its mean
- 5 probable entry date.
- Q. Professor, if you would take your seat.
- 7 A. Thank you. Before I do that, if you don't
- 8 mind?
- 9 Q. Okay, one more thing you need to say?
- 10 A. Yeah, well, I kept pointing to the mean
- probable date of entry, but the consumer arrow may very
- 12 well go to the right of there, and so the
- welfare-enhancing settlements under net consideration
- 14 start here, but they do go past the mean probable date
- of entry. I think I was slightly misleading in my
- 16 terminology.
- 17 The range of those settlements made possible
- 18 with net consideration, which are preferable to
- 19 consumers, in this case do go to the later side of the
- 20 mean probable date of entry. So, that is a
- 21 conservative view of what keeps consumers whole
- 22 vis-a-vis litigation.
- 23 I think the reason is that here there's a
- 24 distinction between the mean probable date of entry
- from the consumer perspective, taking into account

- 1 consumer surplus, and that becomes different than the
- 2 statistical mean date of entry under litigation, which
- 3 doesn't fully reflect the consumer perspective. So, in
- 4 my analysis, I've created an understanding of where the
- 5 arrow goes to by looking directly at the impact on
- 6 consumers, not just concerning myself with a
- 7 statistical measure of the mean entry date.
- 8 Q. Thank you.
- 9 So, I'd like to ask you about some conclusions
- 10 we can draw from this model. Is risk aversion
- 11 necessary to achieve welfare-enhancing results in
- 12 settlements in your models?
- 13 A. Well, no, in the previous examples, risk
- 14 aversion was an intrinsic part of what led to that
- 15 conclusion, but here, in the case of entry by a third
- 16 party, there's no risk aversion in my simplified
- analysis, and nevertheless, there is the possible,
- 18 vital role of net consideration in attaining
- 19 settlements that will be favorable to consumers as well
- 20 as more generally favorable as we discussed earlier
- 21 today.
- Q. Is over-optimism necessary to achieve
- 23 welfare-enhancing results in settlements in your
- 24 models?
- 25 A. Well, that was the driving force in the last

- 1 model that we illustrated, but there is no
- 2 over-optimism here. In fact, I'm not sure I mentioned
- 3 it, but let me explain that in the entry by a third
- 4 party analysis, in the mathematics pictured in this
- 5 demonstrative, the expectations statistically that the
- 6 parties hold about the strength of the underlying
- 7 patent litigation, the probabilities are assumed to be
- 8 in common with each other and accurate from the point
- 9 of view of the outside analyst; namely, me writing the
- 10 algebra down.
- 11 Q. Okay. And is another thing we've learned here
- 12 that settlements that postpone entry beyond the
- 13 expected date of entry in litigation can be
- 14 pro-competitive?
- 15 A. Yes, as I was just explaining here, the
- 16 statistical measure of the mean probable date of entry
- 17 actually is not an accurate reflection of the full
- 18 consumer perspective. When the consumer perspective is
- built into the applicable mean, in fact, the
- 20 reservation time for consumers moves to the later side
- of the merely statistical mean probable date of entry
- 22 under litigation.
- Q. I'd like you to turn, Professor, to tab 11.
- 24 This is SPX 2311. Can you identify that for us?
- 25 A. Yes, this is another demonstrative which was

1 prepared soon after the time of my report which sets

- 2 out the algebra underlying what the case is that has
- 3 been illustrated by this demonstrative.
- 4 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, we offer SPX 2311
- 5 for identification into evidence.
- MS. CREIGHTON: No objection, Your Honor.
- 7 MR. GIDLEY: No objection, Your Honor.
- 8 JUDGE CHAPPELL: SPX 2311 is admitted.
- 9 (SPX Exhibit Number 2311 was admitted into
- 10 evidence.)
- 11 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, this would be a
- 12 good time for a break. We are going to go into another
- 13 long demonstrative.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Well, let's talk about timing.
- Who's the next witness today?
- 16 MR. NIELDS: Professor Willig is the last
- 17 witness for today.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: And then respondents will
- 19 rest?
- 20 MR. NIELDS: We will call no further witnesses.
- MR. CURRAN: That's right, Your Honor, there
- 22 are still some document issues perhaps that need to be
- 23 addressed.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: What about rebuttal?
- MS. BOKAT: Pursuant to the Court's request, we

1 did some further juggling of witnesses and will be

- 2 prepared to call our first rebuttal witness next
- 3 Wednesday morning.
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Wednesday morning?
- 5 MS. BOKAT: Yes, Your Honor.
- 6 MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, on that subject, I
- 7 indicated earlier that we would be filing a motion
- 8 related to the proper scope of the rebuttal case. We
- 9 have prepared a motion, and we expect to present it to
- 10 Your Honor, courtesy copy, in Open Court right after
- 11 the lunch break.
- 12 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Will complaint counsel be able
- 13 to prepare an expedited response?
- MS. BOKAT: We have not seen it yet.
- MR. CURRAN: Right, let me clarify. It's being
- 16 prepared. It will be done during the lunch break.
- 17 We'll sign it, we'll serve it, we'll file it, and we'll
- 18 present Your Honor with a courtesy copy after the lunch
- 19 break.
- 20 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I would like to be able, if
- 21 necessary, to hear argument on that perhaps Tuesday
- 22 afternoon so that we can keep moving along, but I'll
- 23 wait until you have a chance to look at the motion, Ms.
- 24 Bokat.
- MS. BOKAT: Thank you, Your Honor.

Τ	MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, if you're looking for
2	ways to fill time, another possibility would be, you'll
3	recall we filed a motion for a directed verdict.
4	JUDGE CHAPPELL: Right.
5	MR. CURRAN: And at the time we stated that we
6	were going to be filing such a motion, there was some
7	discussion of possible oral argument on that. We do
8	request oral argument on that, and if Your Honor saw
9	fit, early next week would be an appropriate time in
10	our view.
11	JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'll consider that.
12	Why don't we go ahead and take our lunch break
13	then if this is our last witness today, and we'll have
14	a recess until 2:15. Thanks.
15	(Whereupon, at 1:15 p.m., a lunch recess was
16	taken.)
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- 2 (2:15 p.m.)
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Mr. Schildkraut, whenever
- 4 you're ready.
- 5 MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, as promised, I do have
- 6 a courtesy copy of our motion to limit rebuttal
- 7 witnesses. May I present that to Your Honor?
- 8 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 9 MR. CURRAN: Moments ago, it was served upon
- 10 complaint counsel and Schering.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- 12 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Professor Willig, I have put up another
- demonstrative. This is tab 22 of the book. It's SPX
- 15 2335 for identification, and it's entitled Signaling.
- 16 Can you telling us what signaling is?
- 17 A. Yes, signaling is the name given in economics
- 18 these days for the phenomenon where there are at least
- 19 two parties interacting with each other, and one party
- 20 has superior information than the other party has about
- 21 some feature of the environment that is of mutual
- 22 concern. Not only does one party have better
- 23 information, but the other party understands that the
- 24 first party has superior information. Even though the
- 25 party in that understanding doesn't know the

1 information, it knows the other party has better

- 2 information.
- 3 Signaling refers to the use of some
- 4 articulation, some offer, could be money, could be some
- 5 object, could be some rights, could be some appearance
- 6 by the party with the superior information who manages
- 7 to convey the information that it knows better than the
- 8 other party to the other party.
- 9 Q. Is this an accepted phenomena in economics?
- 10 A. This is a very exciting and important new area
- of economics, new since -- I should qualify the word
- "new" -- new since the time that I first went to
- 13 school, which means it's getting quite old. In fact,
- 14 this entire area of economic inquiry just was the
- subject of a triple award of the Nobel Prize a few
- 16 months ago to Professors Akerloff and Spence and
- 17 Stiglitz for their work on the subject of asymmetric
- information. One part of the word award went to
- 19 Michael Spence on his seminal work some 20-25 years ago
- 20 on the subject of signaling. The other third -- the
- 21 first third of the prize went to George Akerloff for
- 22 pointing out that under circumstances of asymmetric
- 23 information of the kind that I just explained, there's
- 24 a real problem in parties making mutually beneficial
- deals.

Q. What is the relationship between signaling and

- 2 asymmetric information?
- 3 A. When two parties cannot come to a mutually
- 4 beneficial arrangement because of asymmetric
- 5 information, signaling is a device that the party with
- 6 the better information can employ so as to convey the
- 7 missing information and make the deal work.
- Q. Can you give us an everyday example of this?
- 9 A. One example that I use with my students when
- 10 they're thinking about how to comport themselves at job
- interviews is to suggest that they dress up very well
- 12 and groom very well, and when they say why, just for
- representative of a potential employer, but they're
- 14 coming here, and the rest of us look like slobs, so why
- shouldn't I continue with my normal everyday behavior?
- 16 And the economist's answer is, signal by
- 17 dressing up very well and grooming very well to show
- 18 your potential employer that you can do it and that
- 19 you're willing to do that and that you're the kind of
- 20 potential employee who understands the need to show
- 21 respect. And although there's really nothing to being
- dressed up in the middle of an ordinary school day, the
- 23 signal it conveys is viewed as very useful to the
- 24 student's employment prospects.
- 25 Q. Let me give you another example, used cars.

- 1 Can you convey a signal in trying to buy used cars?
- 2 A. I'm not kidding, this is actually the setting
- 3 of Professor Akerloff's Nobel Prize winning article,
- 4 was used cars and what he called the lemons problem.
- 5 In that setting, the problem is that if you're
- 6 interested in buying a used car and you notice that I
- 7 am stepping forward to sell you mine, you rationally
- 8 take the implication that the used car that I'm
- 9 offering you is actually a lemon.
- 10 Why do you take that implication? Because on
- 11 average, if it were a good car, I'd be hanging onto it.
- 12 I wouldn't be trying to sell it to you. And so the
- mere fact that I'm proffering it conveys information
- 14 which is asymmetrically held between us. I know the
- 15 car, I've been driving it, you haven't, so I know, but
- 16 by offering it, I'm actually suggesting to you the
- 17 adverse implication that this used car is a lemon.
- 18 That stops you from buying the car, even though it
- might be a good car, and so we're not able to make a
- 20 mutually advantageous deal because of adverse selection
- 21 and asymmetric information, and this was first conveyed
- 22 by the lemons model of Professor Akerloff.
- 23 The signaling that might help to close that gap
- 24 occurs, for example, where the owner of the used car
- 25 says to the buyer, I'm not selling this to you because

1 it's a lemon. I'm offering it because I've been called

- 2 away to Europe for my job, and I can't put the car on
- 3 the boat, so I have to sell the car. Therefore, you
- 4 shouldn't take the implication from my offering it that
- 5 it's actually a lemon. It's just a good used car that
- 6 I've been holding onto, but now I can't use it anymore,
- 7 so please, accept this as a good one. That would be a
- 8 successful signal to break the logjam caused by the
- 9 asymmetric information.
- 10 Q. And what is the application of signaling to a
- 11 litigation dispute between a generic and a patent
- 12 holder when they're litigating over patent rights?
- 13 A. Well, I think it's natural to understand that
- in those circumstances, the incumbent patent holder
- might very well have superior information as compared
- 16 to the litigating entrant about the value of the rights
- 17 that are at dispute in the patent litigation. For
- 18 example, the patent holder may have better information
- 19 concerning new technologies that it may itself have in
- 20 development that may be valuable for the incumbent but
- 21 which would at some time in the foreseeable future
- 22 undermine the value of the rights to the product whose
- 23 patent it is that's in dispute.
- Or alternatively, the patent-holding incumbent
- 25 may have superior information about the progress that

- 1 other possible generic entrants are making toward
- 2 themselves entering the market in a way that would
- 3 actually shorten the useful economic life of the patent
- 4 from the point of view of the litigating entrant. In
- 5 those circumstances, the incumbent, the patent holder,
- 6 may very well actually have asymmetric information, and
- 7 whether or not that firm actually has it, it's
- 8 certainly natural to imagine that the litigating
- 9 entrant supposes that the incumbent may very well have
- 10 such superior information.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, may Professor
- 12 Willig approach the easel?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 15 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 16 Q. We are now looking at SPX 2335, which is at tab
- 17 22. Could you explain your model to us and how it
- 18 works?
- 19 A. Yes, well, this is an analysis, a demonstrative
- 20 that captures a simplified version of the effects that
- I was just trying to explain. Here, the incumbent is
- the one who knows whether the economic life of the
- 23 patent that's under dispute is long or short. There
- 24 are these two possibilities, and it is the incumbent
- 25 who knows the truth about those two possibilities.

1 The litigating entrant understands that the

- 2 incumbent knows the truth about that circumstance, but
- 3 the litigating entrant doesn't itself know which of
- 4 those two possibilities actually applies. So, that's
- 5 the basic setup.
- This -- the end of the yellow line here is the
- 7 end of the economic life of the patent of the long
- 8 kind, not the short kind, and the mean probable date of
- 9 entry line that we're used to looking at here is drawn
- 10 for the circumstance where the life is long, but, of
- 11 course, the life might be short instead.
- 12 The arrow which pictures the reservation times
- for the incumbent is drawn on the basis of having a
- 14 risk averse incumbent, and it's drawn for the situation
- where the incumbent happens to know that the economic
- 16 life of the patent is of the long variety, and that's
- 17 what makes the reservation time of the incumbent be
- where it is to the left of the mean probable date line
- 19 under the circumstance where the life is long. Usually
- 20 it's drawn to the left of that line because of risk
- 21 aversion and other litigation costs.
- If it is the case that the life is long, then
- 23 consumers have a preference for settlement if that
- 24 settlement occurs on the early side or up, to and
- 25 including the mean probable date of entry. So, it's

1 the usual sort of consumer-oriented arrow that we have

- 2 here.
- 3 The part that's really different has to do with
- 4 the incentives of the generic. Here, remember, the
- 5 generic is the one who doesn't know whether the life of
- 6 the patent is truly long or short in economic terms,
- 7 and, of course, the entrant is skeptical. The entrant
- 8 is concerned that the true life of the patent may be
- 9 short, not long. The entrant is rightfully concerned
- 10 that it can't expect the incumbent to tell it the
- 11 truth. After all, they're in negotiation, anything
- 12 articulated is subject to interpretation by the
- 13 generic, so the generic is skeptical, and as a result,
- the generic is holding out for a relatively soon entry
- time because of its justified fear that it may be the
- 16 case that the economic life of the patent is short and
- 17 that, in fact, the incumbent is well aware of that.
- So, the result is the gap. Once again, there's
- 19 an impasse gap. Just like the used car that could not
- 20 be transacted, we have a gap between the willingness of
- 21 the generic to accept a later entry time, which it
- 22 would if it knew that the life of the patent was long,
- 23 but it doesn't know that, and the earliest date at
- 24 which the incumbent is willing to allow entry in the
- 25 settlement, because it, in fact, knows that the life of

- 1 the patent in this circumstance is on the long side.
- 2 So, there is a gap, and this gap is going to stop a
- 3 worthwhile agreement from being accepted by both sides
- 4 unless they are able to employ some device for
- 5 signaling that will allow the information about the
- 6 true life of the patent to be conveyed from the
- 7 incumbent to the litigating entrant.
- In this scenario, the offer of a settlement
- 9 with sufficient net consideration takes on the role of
- 10 the signal. The mathematics that I've worked through
- 11 shows that there are welfare-enhancing settlements that
- 12 are made possible by the conveyance of net
- 13 consideration because the offer of the net
- 14 consideration would not be worthwhile for the incumbent
- 15 to make if the incumbent knew that the economic life of
- 16 the patent were short. So, by making the offer of an
- 17 entry date together with a measured amount of net
- 18 consideration tells the skeptical litigating entrant
- 19 that, in fact, ah, the incumbent must recognize that
- 20 the life of the patent is long. Otherwise, that party
- 21 wouldn't find it in its own interest to make this
- offer. The offer is being made, therefore I take the
- 23 inference that the life of the patent is long, in which
- case the settlement date is not such a bad deal for me.
- 25 So, here, the orange bracket shows the dates of

- 1 settlement that in this example can be supported by
- 2 that very kind of agreement that has conveyance of net
- 3 consideration as a signal to break the logjam caused by
- 4 the information asymmetry.
- In this class of cases, the bracket shows not
- 6 only the ability to make a settlement where otherwise
- 7 there is only a gap, but it shows that this range of
- 8 settlements that are made possible by the passage of
- 9 net consideration are desirable for consumers to give
- 10 consumers more competition, more consumer surplus than
- 11 consumers would otherwise be getting on average if
- instead the parties were driven to litigation by the
- 13 asymmetric information impasse.
- Q. And what would happen if net consideration was
- prohibited in this example?
- 16 A. In this example, if net consideration were
- 17 prohibited, then the gap would apply. There could be
- 18 no settlement. There would be litigation. The
- 19 risk-bearing costs that would follow from litigation
- 20 would fall on the incumbent, and consumers would be
- 21 held to the mean probable date of entry under
- litigation given that the life was long, which is on
- 23 the later side of some of the deals that could be
- supported had net consideration been allowed.
- 25 Q. Now, you said the risk-bearing costs. Is that

- 1 because the incumbent is risk averse?
- 2 A. Yes, in this example, the incumbent is risk
- 3 averse.
- Q. Can you give me an example in real life of risk
- 5 aversion?
- A. Well, here, for example, this is an incumbent
- 7 who would be quick to buy insurance to cover business
- 8 risks outside of this context, because that's a sign of
- 9 the kind of costs of bearing risk that can be avoided
- 10 by the purchase of an insurance policy. You buy the
- insurance policy, you offload the risk to the insurance
- carrier, and you're willing to pay the insurance
- carrier to perform that service for you as a company.
- Here, what's happening is that the incumbent is
- willing to move the date of settlement on the early
- 16 side as its way of paying for the insurance to get out
- from under the endemic risk caused by being in the
- 18 litigation posture.
- 19 O. Take your seat.
- 20 I'm now going to tab 12, which is SPX 2324, and
- 21 could you identify this for us?
- 22 A. Yes, this is a portion of one of the appendices
- 23 to my report which goes through the analytics necessary
- 24 to do the analysis which is portrayed on the
- demonstrative that we were just discussing.

Q. Okay. Could you now turn to tab 23, SPX 2329.

- 2 Can you identify this for us?
- 3 A. Yes, this is a diagram from that same appendix
- 4 to my report, and actually it's an exhibit to my
- 5 report, which illustrates some of the math that is laid
- out in the demonstrative that we just discussed.
- 7 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, we offer SPX 2324
- 8 and 2329 into evidence.
- 9 MS. CREIGHTON: No objection, Your Honor.
- 10 MR. GIDLEY: No objection, Your Honor.
- 11 JUDGE CHAPPELL: SPX 2324 and 2329 are
- 12 admitted.
- 13 (SPX Exhibit Numbers 2324 and 2329 were
- 14 admitted into evidence.)
- 15 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 16 Q. All right, now let's turn to tab 13.
- If I may approach, Your Honor, I'd like to put
- 18 up another board.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. I've put up an SPX 2333 on the screen and on
- the board, and it's entitled Varied Assessments of
- 23 Success.
- 24 Can you tell us what that is?
- 25 A. Yes, the idea of varied assessments of success

- 1 is that where both the incumbent and the litigating
- 2 entrant have their own ideas about the probabilities of
- 3 the underlying patent litigation going their own way,
- 4 and it's said to be varied here because this particular
- 5 demonstrative shows one of the cases where neither of
- 6 them actually have it right from the point of view of
- 7 the outside observer, we who are defining these
- 8 analytics, they each have their own ideas about those
- 9 probabilities.
- 10 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, may Professor
- 11 Willig approach the easel?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, he may.
- 13 BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- Q. Could you explain this to us using the
- 15 demonstrative?
- 16 A. I'll certainly try, Counsel.
- 17 Here, the incumbent has a view of the chances
- of its success in the underlying patent litigation that
- 19 are on the pessimistic side. Now, I want to emphasize
- 20 the power of the social scientist here. We, the
- 21 analysts, are standing outside this context, and we
- think we know the true odds. In fact, we've defined
- 23 what those true odds really are. And the mean probable
- 24 date of entry under litigation line, as usual, on the
- 25 demonstrative reflects the outside analyst's view of

- 1 what are the true probabilities.
- 2 The incumbent it turns out -- we can tell, the
- 3 outside analyst defining the scenario -- the incumbent
- 4 is on the pessimistic side of what we know to be the
- 5 truth. The incumbent actually at the end of the day
- 6 believes, all things taken into account, that it's less
- 7 likely to win the underlying patent case than we, the
- 8 outside analysts, think we know, and that's why on this
- 9 diagram the incumbent shows up with a reservation time
- 10 that is to the early side of the mean probable date of
- 11 entry given the true probabilities that the outside
- 12 analyst assigns.
- Notice here the incumbent is not assumed to be
- 14 risk averse, again, not because risk aversion is not an
- 15 endemic part of a context like this, but rather,
- 16 because the impact of varied assessments of success
- 17 makes its own point without needing to be intermixed
- with risk aversion and other costs of litigation.
- Meanwhile, the generic, as per varied
- 20 assessments of success the outside analyst can
- 21 ascertain in setting up this context, the litigating
- 22 entrant is on the optimistic side of what the analyst
- 23 defines as the true odds. So, the generic thinks it's
- 24 more likely to win than the analyst thinks is the case,
- and for that reason, the entrant is holding out for an

1 earlier entry time than the mean, and in fact, as drawn

- 2 in this example, the optimism of the entrant is
- 3 actually stronger than the pessimism of the incumbent.
- So, on net, they're at loggerheads because of
- 5 their varied assessments of success, and that leads to
- 6 there being a gap between their reservation dates --
- 7 once again, as we've seen in the other cases -- but now
- 8 for this different reason, they are not going to be
- 9 able to find a mutually agreeable settlement, because
- 10 there are no commonly acceptable dates for entry within
- 11 the setting.
- 12 Consumers, as usual, would be happy with a
- 13 settlement that leads to an entry date any time up to
- the mean probable date of entry, but there is no
- settlement possible here unless they use some other
- dimension to help themselves close the gap.
- 17 If they're permitted to use net consideration,
- then once again, as per the previous demonstratives,
- 19 the yellow bracket -- the orange bracket, rather, shows
- 20 the ranges of entry times that could be supported with
- 21 settlements that are undergirded by the passage of net
- 22 consideration from the incumbent to the entering
- 23 generic. The net consideration closes the gap, and the
- 24 orange bracket shows those times which they can agree
- 25 upon with net consideration that are also preferable

for consumers, because those are times to the early

- 2 side of the mean probable date of entry.
- 3 Q. Is there any assumption in this model that
- 4 differs from the assumptions that Professor Bresnahan
- 5 has made?
- A. Well, yes and no. I mean, Professor Bresnahan
- 7 did not undertake an analysis that leads to his
- 8 conclusion about the so-called Bresnahan rule that
- 9 takes these varied assessments of success into account.
- 10 On the other hand, in his report, in fact,
- 11 Professor Bresnahan does discuss the possibilities of
- 12 pessimism and optimism and the possibilities that if
- the total amount of optimism on net is sufficiently
- qreat, there could be no agreement whatsoever. He
- mentions that, yet he does not take that into his
- 16 analysis that for him undergirds his conclusion of the
- 17 appropriateness of the so-called Bresnahan rule.
- 18 Q. So, how, then, if he understands this does
- 19 Professor Bresnahan not get results that show that a
- 20 settlement with net consideration may result in entry
- sooner than the mean probable entry date under
- 22 litigation?
- 23 A. He just didn't do this analysis.
- Q. Why don't you take your seat.
- Is a competitive outcome assured here? Are we

- 1 sure -- if we -- if we pay net consideration, are we
- 2 sure we're going to get a competitive outcome?
- A. Oh, no, not necessarily. One can't tell from
- 4 this model whether the resulting settlement will be to
- 5 the left-hand side of the mean probable date and
- 6 therefore beneficial to consumers or whether it might
- 7 instead be the right-hand side. Rather, the model
- 8 shows that to get the preferable kinds of settlements
- 9 might very well necessitate the use of net
- 10 consideration.
- 11 Q. And how much net consideration would get you
- 12 the pro-competitive result?
- 13 A. Just enough to close that gap. There's a lot
- of mathematics in the demonstrative to show what range
- is consistent with a settlement entry date to the left
- of the mean probable date.
- 17 Q. Okay, let's turn to tab 14, SPX 2312. Can you
- 18 identify this for us?
- 19 A. I'm sorry, what tab was that?
- 20 O. Tab 14.
- 21 A. Yes, that's another demonstrative that I
- created soon after the time of my report which
- 23 organizes the analytics specific to the case of
- 24 settlements to patent litigation with varied
- assessments of success.

- 1 O. And what does it show?
- 2 A. It shows the analytics that undergird this
- demonstrative. It shows that there are circumstances
- 4 without risk aversion but with the disparate views of
- 5 the likelihoods of success in the underlying patent
- 6 litigation that I've just been explaining, that under
- 7 such circumstances it may very well be necessary for
- 8 the attainment of a pro-competitive settlement to
- 9 utilize net consideration.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Your Honor, we offer SPX 2312
- 11 into evidence.
- 12 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, the version of SPX
- 13 2312 that we have is incomplete. There's a figure
- 14 that's attached to the original. I don't know if
- 15 that's -- if they're offering the whole thing or just
- 16 the incomplete version that's in the binder.
- 17 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Well, since I forgot the
- 18 figure, I can't offer the complete version.
- 19 Does that make any difference to your analysis,
- 20 whether you have that figure or not?
- 21 THE WITNESS: If it helps the reader to
- 22 understand the analytics better, then it's a good thing
- 23 and I'm all for it.
- MS. CREIGHTON: Then, Your Honor, if counsel
- 25 proposes to substitute the complete version of SPX

1 2312, then we have no objection to that going into the

- 2 record.
- 3 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Why don't you just pull that
- 4 offer down until you have the proper version, okay?
- 5 Thank you.
- BY MR. SCHILDKRAUT:
- 7 Q. So, Professor Willig, what did we learn by
- 8 applying your models?
- 9 A. Well, I think for me the main lesson is that
- 10 the so-called Bresnahan rule is really a dangerous rule
- for the policy community or the legal community to
- 12 adopt. The work in its totality shows that there are
- ample circumstances where net consideration is a very
- 14 useful tool to attain socially beneficial settlements
- of patent disputes.
- 16 Q. Is this the -- the ones we have talked about
- 17 here today, is this a complete list of circumstances
- where net consideration may be necessary to settle
- 19 patent disputes and still have an entry date which is
- forward of the mean probable entry date under
- 21 litigation?
- 22 A. No, absolutely not. This is really an occasion
- for a great amount of humility, because this is a very
- 24 fresh topic for economics. Economists to my knowledge
- 25 have been looking at this kind of issue only for a year

1 or two, which is a very short time in the passage of a

- 2 topic through the mill of academic economics. This is
- 3 a novel subject, and all we have here in the materials
- 4 that we've been discussing today and the materials in
- 5 my report for me are really just the beginning, and
- 6 I've in no way been able to, and nor have my
- 7 colleagues, undertake a search aimed at finding all of
- 8 the underlying features of reality that might be
- 9 important in these kinds of contexts that would lead
- 10 net consideration to be a valuable tool for obtaining
- 11 socially beneficial settlements of patent disputes.
- 12 This is just the -- a list of cases that I have
- come to that fall into that category, but I have no
- 14 reason to believe that the list of features of reality
- that lead to the importance of net consideration is in
- 16 any way limited to the list that I've been able to
- 17 testify about today.
- Q. What have you learned about whether a
- 19 postponement of entry until after the mean probable
- 20 date of litigation is always anti-competitive?
- 21 A. I've learned from the model, the analysis that
- includes the entry of a third party who was not a
- 23 patent litigant but rather just an entrant sometime
- 24 during the life of the patent, that that feature of the
- 25 context alone can lead to the possibility that

- 1 consumers can find settlements with entry dates to the
- 2 later side of the mean probable date of entry under
- 3 litigation to be beneficial for consumers.
- Q. What have you learned about using net
- 5 consideration as evidence of an agreement to delay?
- 6 A. That would be an absolutely incorrect inference
- 7 from the point of view of even a slightly expanded set
- 8 of analyses over and above what Professor Bresnahan has
- 9 considered.
- 10 Q. But you're not saying that net consideration is
- 11 always pro-competitive, are you?
- 12 A. No, net consideration can undergird agreements
- that would be guite adverse to consumers and might be
- treated as such by the legal system.
- Q. So, is this something that an economist would
- think one would want to still look at?
- 17 A. Absolutely. There is every reason to at least
- 18 consider scrutinizing agreements which contain net
- 19 consideration as part and parcel of them.
- 20 Q. So, how should from your perspective one go
- 21 about determining the welfare effects of settlements
- 22 with net consideration?
- 23 A. The main point is that there's no shortcuts to
- 24 this analysis. Just using the shortcut of a finding of
- 25 net consideration that's positive does not lead in any

- 1 reliable way to a conclusion that the agreement
- 2 containing such positive net consideration is
- 3 anti-competitive. This would be a dangerous approach
- 4 from the point of view of my work.
- Instead, since there are no shortcuts, the way
- 6 to proceed is a direct analysis of whether or not there
- 7 is harm to consumers from the agreement as it actually
- 8 stands in its context. All relevant forms of evidence
- 9 should be ready to be considered in my view by an
- 10 appropriate fact finding process, and in particular,
- 11 the underlying strength of the litigation, the patent
- 12 litigation, is apt to be an important part of the range
- of relevant evidence to consider in reaching that
- 14 determination.
- Q. Well, suppose you cannot determine the fair
- 16 date of entry under the litigation that didn't happen,
- 17 can you then turn around and use the Bresnahan rule
- instead to determine anti-competitive effects?
- 19 A. Absolutely not. It's like saying I can't do
- the right analysis, so I'll embrace a wrong and
- 21 dangerous analysis. That would be absolutely not the
- 22 right way to go for policy.
- Q. Well, from the point of view of economists,
- 24 what's wrong with having a rule prohibiting patent
- 25 holders from offering net consideration?

- 1 A. From the point of economics, there's nothing
- 2 wrong with being permissive as a policy and as a legal
- 3 stance toward those parties, incumbents, patent
- 4 holders, to offering agreements that would contain
- 5 positive net consideration.
- 6 Q. And --
- 7 A. Those kinds of agreements may be essential to
- 8 break the logjam and to reach a socially beneficial
- 9 agreement that would settle an underlying patent
- 10 dispute.
- 11 Q. And if those were barred across the board, what
- impact would it have on consumers?
- 13 A. If those were barred across the board, the
- impact on consumers would often be negative, because
- 15 settlement agreements that were beneficial to consumers
- 16 would be cut off by such a bar.
- 17 Q. And what impact would that have on businessmen
- if that was just flat barred?
- 19 A. A flat bar, because it would undermine the
- 20 ability of the parties to reach agreements that would
- 21 settle their patent litigation, would leave businesses
- bearing undue risk and the costs of those risks that
- 23 could otherwise be avoided by finding an appropriate
- 24 pro-consumer settlement to their underlying patent
- 25 dispute.

1 Q. Are you familiar with the term "facially

- 2 anti-competitive"?
- 3 A. It sounds like a legal term.
- Q. Well, let me give you a -- let me give you my
- 5 definition anyway. Something facially anti-competitive
- is conduct that's difficult to comprehend as being
- 7 motivated by anything other than anti-competitive -- an
- 8 anti-competitive objective and is difficult to
- 9 comprehend as having anything other than an
- anti-competitive effect, okay?
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 Q. Okay. Is net consideration in a
- patent-splitting agreement under that definition
- 14 facially anti-competitive?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. From an economist's point of view, would there
- 17 be harm in presuming that net consideration was
- 18 anti-competitive?
- 19 A. Yes, for all the reasons that we've been
- 20 discussing here.
- 21 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No further questions, Your
- 22 Honor.
- MR. GIDLEY: No questions, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Cross?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Yes, Your Honor.

1 Your Honor, at some points I was hoping to be

- 2 able to use the nice charts that Schering has provided,
- 3 and I don't know what would be the best logistics so
- 4 that I'm not forcing Dr. Willig to have to turn around
- 5 all the time. Would it be better for me to place the
- 6 charts here or over there? I don't know if Dr. Willig
- 7 would be able to see them or you.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: The right side is probably
- 9 better, my right.
- 10 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor can see if it's
- 11 here?
- 12 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes. You don't need an easel.
- 13 You can move the entire apparatus there. Just watch
- 14 for all the cords on the floor.
- 15 MR. NIELDS: Is that visible or should we move
- 16 it this way?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: A little more. That's good.
- 18 MR. NIELDS: Still further?
- 19 JUDGE CHAPPELL: That's perfect for me.
- MR. CURRAN: We'll be back here, Judge
- 21 Chappell.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I see you back there, Mr.
- 23 Curran.
- MS. CREIGHTON: Dr. Willig, will you be able to
- read from there or not really?

1 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I can see under the exhibit.

- THE WITNESS: If you make big gestures, then I
- 3 will probably be able to see what you're aiming at.
- 4 MS. CREIGHTON: What I was hoping to be able to
- 5 do is actually point out things on the chart to you
- 6 since it's hard to know sometimes where the arrows
- 7 begin and end. Would you be able to see if I'm
- 8 standing here --
- 9 THE WITNESS: I can see your hand.
- 10 MS. CREIGHTON: But you can't see the chart?
- 11 THE WITNESS: I can see the outlines of the
- 12 chart. It's not in sharp focus. We'll try.
- MS. CREIGHTON: We can start and you can let me
- 14 know --
- 15 THE WITNESS: Absolutely, and if you'll permit
- 16 me to rise and get closer if I need to.
- MS. CREIGHTON: Certainly, if the Court doesn't
- 18 mind.
- 19 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 20 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- Q. Good afternoon, Dr. Willig.
- 22 A. Good afternoon.
- Q. Sir, you're not a lawyer, are you?
- A. I'm not a lawyer.
- 25 Q. So, you've never tried a patent case, correct?

- 1 A. That is correct.
- Q. And you've never been a judge, have you, sir?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. You have never been a professional negotiator,
- 5 correct?
- A. No, I haven't.
- 7 Q. Or a mediator?
- 8 A. Not outside the family.
- 9 Q. Have you ever published anything in the Journal
- of Behavioral Decision Making?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Have you ever published anything in the
- 13 American Behavioral Scientist?
- 14 A. No, I haven't.
- Q. Have you ever published anything in Negotiation
- 16 Journal?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Have you ever published anything in
- 19 Organizational Behavior in Human Decision Processes?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. You were retained by Schering-Plough in this
- 22 case, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And Schering did not ask you to express an
- opinion on market power in this case, correct?

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 Q. Schering also didn't ask you to express an
- 3 opinion on market definition in the case?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Sir, you have not formed an opinion as to
- 6 whether the Schering-Upsher agreement is
- 7 pro-competitive or anti-competitive, correct?
- 8 A. Not based on the facts, but I have formed an
- 9 opinion, as I've been expressing all day, about the
- 10 methodology that Professor Bresnahan seems to utilize
- 11 to reach his opinions about those questions.
- 12 Q. But you haven't -- I'm sorry. But you haven't
- looked at the facts in an attempt to reach a conclusion
- 14 about whether these agreements, in fact, are
- anti-competitive or pro-competitive. Is that right?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 Q. Similarly, with respect to the Schering-ESI
- 18 settlement, you haven't looked at the facts to reach a
- 19 conclusion with respect to whether that agreement is
- 20 pro-competitive or anti-competitive?
- 21 A. In the same sense of my last answer, yes.
- Q. Okay. Schering also didn't ask you to express
- 23 an opinion as to whether early entry by a generic
- 24 competitor is good for consumers, correct? You've
- assumed that for purposes of your analysis.

1 A. Yes, I think that's fair to say. I mean, my

- 2 models do assume it or they derive it from the
- 3 analytics that undergird these analyses. There are
- 4 other possible ways to understand the impact of generic
- 5 entry which might lead to a possibly different answer.
- 6 Those features are not in these models, and I have
- 7 assumed that these models are applicable in that
- 8 regard.
- 9 Q. Just for clarification, Dr. Willig, I'm showing
- 10 you what previously has been marked as Exhibit SPX 2065
- and was a demonstrative in Dr. Addanki's testimony.
- 12 Can you read that if it's up on the computer, at least?
- 13 It's not so good on the far screen.
- 14 A. I'm beginning to wonder about my prescription.
- 15 I'm fuzzy at every distance. I can make it out.
- 16 Q. Okay. So, with respect to the first diamond,
- 17 you weren't asked to express an opinion, correct,
- 18 monopoly power?
- 19 A. I was not asked to investigate myself the issue
- of monopoly power here, but rather, to assume it for
- 21 the sake of my analysis.
- 22 Q. And you were asked -- you were asked to express
- an opinion about the methodology with respect to
- 24 whether -- what to do about delayed entry but not the
- actual determination of whether the agreements are

- 1 early or late, correct?
- 2 A. I was certainly not asked to express an opinion
- 3 about the facts, about the timing of entry, but I
- 4 think, as you asked, about the methodology of how one
- 5 would make a determination of whether entry were
- 6 delayed or not relative to some potential benchmark.
- 7 Q. Okay. And then finally, you weren't asked to
- 8 express an opinion as to whether if there were delayed
- 9 entry whether consumers would be harmed, correct?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. Okay. Now, sir, you would not endorse a test
- 12 that required the fact finder to conclude that the
- 13 entrant would have to have won the patent case as a
- 14 condition for finding the settlement anti-competitive,
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. I'm having trouble sorting out the terminology
- of your question.
- Q. Okay. Suppose someone said the fact finder has
- 19 to conclude that the entrant would, in fact, have won
- 20 the patent case in order to make a showing that a
- 21 settlement agreement was anti-competitive, would you
- 22 agree with or disagree with such a test?
- 23 A. I think I would disagree with it if by that you
- 24 mean 100 percent chance that the entrant would win the
- 25 underlying patent litigation, and but for that, there

1 could be no anti-competitive element to the

- 2 arrangement?
- 4 A. That would not be my view.
- 5 Q. And in fact, you would agree, wouldn't you,
- that even if there were a 50/50 chance that the entrant
- 7 might have lost the case, it's still possible that
- 8 there could be an agreement that was anti-competitive
- 9 under those circumstances, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And you would agree that a settlement agreement
- 12 can be anti-competitive even if it results in entry
- before the end of a patent's nominal or legal life,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, I've just picked one of your charts
- 17 at random, so if there's another chart here that would
- be better for laying some basic understanding I think
- 19 of features that are common to all of your charts here,
- but if you can't read it, let me know and we can pick
- 21 another.
- 22 A. Thank you.
- 23 Q. We are currently looking at your chart labeled
- 24 Varied Assessments of Success, and at the -- there's a
- 25 box that says, "End of Patent Life," and by that,

- 1 you're not referring to the legal life of a patent,
- 2 correct, you're referring to the economic life of a
- 3 patent?
- A. Actually, in this scenario, the end of the
- 5 patent life is the legal end of the applicability of
- 6 the patent, because here there's no other entry in this
- 7 scenario other than the possible entry of the
- 8 litigating entrant.
- 9 Q. In some of your models, are you assuming that
- 10 it's the economic life of the model rather than the
- 11 legal life of the model?
- 12 A. No, actually, I think in all of the
- demonstratives that we looked at today, the end of the
- patent life was intended to be the end of the legal
- patent life. In the one case where there was a
- 16 third-party entrant arriving before the legal end of
- 17 the patent life, in that case the benefits to the
- 18 consumers and the impact on the incumbent and the
- 19 impact on the entrant past the time of the third-party
- 20 entry were all different. They were all affected by
- 21 the fact of the third-party entry, but nevertheless, in
- 22 that analysis, past the time of the third-party entry,
- 23 there still was an economic value, an economic impact
- 24 of the fact that the patent life remained. So, in all
- of the analyses that I've spoken to today, the end of

- 1 the patent life is just that.
- Q. Okay. More broadly, in the algebra that you
- 3 used in the models underlying these demonstratives, you
- 4 defined theta as the economic life of the patent, not
- 5 the legal life of the patent, correct?
- 6 A. I think that's probably right in terms of the
- 7 way I cast the algebra, yes.
- Q. So, even if the specific examples you've given
- 9 here today on the demonstratives are the legal life of
- 10 the patent, in order to reach the general conclusions
- 11 you have in your algebra, you've been defining it by
- 12 the economic life of the patent, correct?
- 13 A. Uh-huh, and in the algebra and the description
- of the algebra in the demonstratives, when I say the
- end of the economic life of the patent, what I mean is
- that events analyzed by the analytics have no
- 17 consequence past the time of theta, that they're --
- because the patent life has reached its economic end,
- 19 whether it were to be affirmed or not or whether the
- 20 infringement issue went this way or that way has no
- 21 consequence on anybody's returns from this marketplace.
- 22 So, it's like the patent doesn't matter anymore after
- 23 that date.
- Q. Let me show you page 6 of your report. It's
- 25 Exhibit CX 1717.

- 1 A. I'm sorry, do I get a real copy?
- 2 Q. Yes, oh.
- May I approach, Your Honor?
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 5 THE WITNESS: Page 6?
- BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 7 Q. Yes, the second paragraph.
- 8 A. (Document review.)
- 9 Q. And here in your report you're setting up your
- 10 general analytics, and you state that you're defining
- 11 the patent's economic life, in the last sentence as,
- 12 "The patent's economic life will end when its legal
- 13 life expires, when a superior product comes to market,
- or when (and if) demand for the product disappears for
- 15 some other reason."
- 16 Is that correct?
- 17 A. Right, all of which adds up to the patent no
- 18 longer matters after such a time.
- 19 Q. And so to determine the point at which that end
- 20 point is reached, you have to know three things that
- 21 you just identified in your report, correct? You have
- 22 to know the patent's legal life, whether and when a
- 23 superior product may come into the market, and when and
- 24 if demand for the product might otherwise disappear,
- 25 correct?

- 1 A. I think that's fair, if it's clear that those
- 2 other provisos are understood to be ones which would
- 3 make the patent irrelevant. It's got to be that
- 4 strong.
- 5 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, may I approach the
- 6 chart?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- 8 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 9 Q. Because, in fact, if the patent's economic life
- 10 is not here, if this is the legal life but the economic
- life is here, that actually could change where the mean
- 12 probable date of entry under litigation is. Isn't that
- 13 right?
- 14 A. Well, actually, the entire diagram would move
- 15 to the left, as it were.
- 16 Q. That's right.
- 17 A. Yeah.
- 18 O. But that could also affect whether these
- 19 settlements are aligned to the left or the right of
- 20 that line, correct?
- 21 A. Well, I think the -- you might want to move the
- 22 mean probable date of entry under litigation to the
- 23 left. Also, this would be a matter of one's analytic
- inclination. You'd just move the whole diagram to the
- 25 left and understand that all of those indications are

- defined relative to the time when the patent becomes
- 2 irrelevant, or not. I'm just keeping track of the
- 3 different phases of the analysis.
- Q. But certainly to know where that line was, the
- 5 mean probable date of entry under litigation, you would
- 6 need to know the three facts that we just discussed
- about where the patent's economic life ends, correct?
- 8 A. Well, if we move the entire diagram to the
- 9 left, if that's the way the analyst wishes to continue,
- then the mean probable date of entry under litigation
- 11 should take into account -- if there were any
- 12 shortening of the economic life of the patent, that
- would become the end of the applicable yellow stretch
- of time, and the new mean probable date of entry would
- 15 be moved over correspondingly.
- 16 If, on the other hand, the analysis took that
- 17 period of time when the patent became irrelevant into
- 18 account but chose not to move the entire diagram to the
- 19 left, then we'd just adjust for it in some other
- 20 pertinent way.
- 21 Q. Well, all those adjustments wouldn't
- necessarily be proportionate, would they?
- 23 A. If the entire diagram were moved to the left?
- 24 I think -- well, perhaps not, but I -- they might. I
- 25 don't see any reason why it wouldn't, frankly, as I sit

- 1 here, but I'm not staring at the algebra.
- Q. Okay. Now, when you refer in your chart to net
- 3 consideration, that could come about through a side
- 4 agreement in which the parties don't make an even
- 5 exchange of fair market value as well as through a
- 6 settlement that transfers cash, correct?
- 7 A. Again, I'm not sure of the phraseology of your
- 8 question. Net consideration could be just, as far as
- 9 my model is concerned, a payment of cash with nothing
- 10 else going on on the side, or more realistically and
- obviously with more complexity, it could be the payment
- 12 of cash or other value above the value that's received
- in turn in the side deal.
- Q. So, for purposes of determining the competitive
- 15 consequences of the settlement, it's not important in
- 16 your view for the -- whether the net consideration is
- in the form of cash or in the form of value that
- 18 exceeds the value of what was returned, the way you've
- 19 just defined it, correct?
- 20 A. Well, obviously it matters in reality in terms
- 21 of what's in contention in a case like this. I
- 22 understand there's quite a bit of contention about
- 23 whether or not there is net consideration involved in
- one of these agreements, and so it matters in that
- 25 respect, but in terms of my analytics, I'm just talking

1 about the size of the net consideration irrespective of

- 2 what form it takes.
- 3 Q. Now, in determining the mean date of entry
- 4 under litigation, you think that that should be
- 5 determined objectively rather than using the subjective
- 6 views of the parties, correct?
- 7 A. Well, my analysis takes the perspective of the
- 8 outside observer, the social scientist as it were,
- 9 asking the analytic question about whether or not the
- 10 so-called Bresnahan rule is a good methodology, and in
- 11 teeing up that question and in arriving at analytic
- 12 answers to it, the outside analyst has to have a view
- of what the underlying truth is, and that's what the
- 14 bubble on the chart represents. It's the analyst's
- benchmark for understanding what kinds of settlements
- 16 will be preferable for consumers to litigation and
- 17 which ones would not be.
- Q. Well, isn't it true, sir, that you stated in
- 19 your report that the only reliable way to determine
- 20 whether a particular settlement is harmful to consumers
- 21 is to examine the specific features of that settlement
- 22 and, in particular, to determine if the date of
- 23 competitive entry called for by the settlement comes
- 24 before or after the mean date of entry under
- 25 litigation?

- 1 A. Yes, absolutely, from the consumer's
- 2 perspective.
- Q. Okay. And so to do that, you need to know
- 4 where that mean probable date of entry under litigation
- 5 lies, correct?
- 6 A. In reality, going through a fact-finding
- 7 process, I think in particular it is important for the
- 8 fact finder to come to as good an understanding as
- 9 possible of the underlying strength of the patent
- 10 litigation.
- 11 Q. And to do that, it's your view that the fact
- 12 finder should use some objective odds that the fact
- finder finds as opposed to some other method, correct?
- 14 A. Well, I think the appropriate way to proceed,
- if I could just cast it broadly, is to make an
- 16 assessment based on expertise applied today but applied
- to the information that would have been or was
- 18 reasonably available to the parties at the time that
- 19 they were undergoing the negotiations.
- 20 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, may I approach and
- 21 provide the witness a copy of his deposition?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you. What page?
- 24 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 25 Q. Page 74.

- 1 A. Seven?
- 2 Q. Seventy-four, lines 8 to 12:
- 3 "QUESTION: But you would use an objective
- 4 assessment of the odds based on facts that the parties
- 5 knew at the time of settlement, correct?
- 6 "ANSWER: For the purpose of assessing the mean
- 7 litigation entry date, yes."
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Did you give that answer and did I ask that
- 10 question?
- 11 A. Yes, and I think I just gave it to you now.
- 12 Q. Now, one of the reasons --
- If I can approach the chart, Your Honor?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- 15 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 16 Q. One of the reasons you'd want to know the mean
- 17 date of entry under litigation is that when you were
- 18 talking about the payment of net consideration opening
- 19 up the possibilities for settlement, the possibilities
- 20 for settlement don't end at this line, do they?
- 21 A. They do not generally end at that line.
- Q. In fact, in this chart, the payment of net
- consideration would open up the possibility of
- settlements ranging all the way from here to here,
- 25 correct?

- 1 A. That's quite possibly right.
- 2 Q. And as you testified I believe in direct,
- 3 settlements in this region would be good for consumers,
- 4 and settlements in this region would be bad for
- 5 consumers, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And so in order to determine whether or not a
- 8 particular settlement was good or bad for consumers,
- 9 it's your testimony, isn't it, that it would be
- important to know where this line was?
- 11 A. It might very well be the most pertinent of
- 12 evidence, yes.
- 13 Q. Just for purposes of terminology, generally,
- can we refer to the region that you've marked in orange
- maybe just as region A and then the region here from
- 16 the mean date of entry under litigation to the end of
- 17 the patent life as B, just to shorten things sometimes?
- A. Well, you can use that, and I'll see if I
- 19 remember.
- Q. All right. Let me show you page 10 of your
- 21 report, sir.
- MR. NIELDS: Your Honor, I hate to interrupt,
- 23 but I think the transcript is silent on the question of
- 24 what sections of this line Ms. Creighton was pointing
- 25 to when she said A and B, and I think if she identifies

1 it in words, I think we'll all have a better chance of

- 2 knowing what's meant when she uses it.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I was leaving it up to her to
- 4 make her record, Counselor.
- 5 MR. NIELDS: Maybe I should have done the same,
- 6 Your Honor.
- 7 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 8 Q. Dr. Willig, did you understand me when I was
- 9 talking about region A to be referring to the orange
- 10 region that's marked on your chart "Viable
- 11 Welfare-Enhancing Settlements With Net Consideration"?
- 12 A. I think I did understand that.
- Q. And I was referring to region B as meaning the
- region to the right of mean probable date of entry
- under litigation but to the left of the end of patent
- 16 life. Did you understand that?
- 17 A. I think I did. Whether I can reliably remember
- 18 that or not is something else.
- 19 Q. Okay. Directing your attention to the second
- 20 paragraph of page 10 of your report, the -- in the
- 21 middle of the paragraph, you state, "The only reliable
- 22 way to determine if a particular settlement is harmful
- 23 to consumers is to examine the specific features of
- that settlement, and, in particular to determine if the
- 25 date of competitive entry called for by the settlement

1 comes before or after the mean date of entry under

- 2 litigation."
- Now, in order to perform that analysis, one of
- 4 the facts I think you would agree that you need to
- 5 determine under your test is an objective assessment of
- 6 the litigation odds, correct?
- 7 A. Let me just point out that I'm really not
- 8 advocating a particular test here. I never took this
- 9 to be my role in this case. It wasn't part of my
- 10 assignment. What's most important for me here is to
- 11 really stop the adoption of the Bresnahan rule, which I
- 12 regard as dangerous and unreliable for the reasons that
- I explained in my report, in my deposition and in my
- 14 direct testimony.
- I think in contrast to the Bresnahan rule,
- 16 there is only one reliable way that we know, and that's
- 17 to go right for an analysis of the settlement and to
- ask the question about whether we can ascertain whether
- 19 or not there is consumer harm from the totality of the
- 20 settlement, and it is true that in particular, one
- 21 particularly relevant part of that assessment no doubt
- comes down to attempting to assess the strength of the
- 23 underlying litigation, and as summarized in the way
- we're speaking about it now, by the comparison between
- 25 the entry date under the settlement and the mean

- 1 probable date of entry under litigation from the
- 2 consumers' perspective, but I'm here to present a rule,
- 3 a test.
- Q. So, you're not propounding that comparing the
- 5 mean date of entry under litigation with the settlement
- date is necessarily a workable rule that a fact finder
- 7 could use. Is that correct?
- 8 A. Well, it might be a workable rule. It
- 9 certainly points to I think the need, once one
- 10 understands that the Bresnahan rule is too unreliable
- 11 to use, that one has to go directly to the facts about
- 12 whether or not the settlement actually is viewed as
- harming consumers, rather than through an inappropriate
- shortcut, and inevitably going to the truth about
- 15 comparing a settlement to litigation entails having a
- sense of the underlying strength of that litigation,
- 17 which is what I'm expressing here and I've expressed
- before, but that's not to say that I am turning to the
- 19 fact finder and saying, I have a Willig rule to replace
- the Bresnahan rule. That's just not the case.
- Q. Okay. Well, I'm trying to understand what it
- is that you think, taking the long cut as opposed to
- 23 the shortcut which you think shouldn't be followed,
- 24 what are the factors or facts that a fact finder would
- 25 have to look at in order to determine whether a

1 settlement is pro-competitive or anti-competitive.

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. All right. And we've agreed that one of the
- 4 things that in your view you would look at is an
- 5 objective assessment of the litigation odds, correct?
- A. Yes, remembering that it's an objective
- 7 assessment based on the information that would have
- 8 reasonably been available to the parties at the time
- 9 that they were undergoing their negotiations.
- 10 Q. And you would also need to know whether or not
- 11 there was going to be entry by a superior product prior
- 12 to the end of the patent's legal life, correct?
- 13 A. Well, as we've discussed, the patent life
- 14 reaches its economic end when the patent is irrelevant
- to the marketplace, and that might happen short of the
- 16 end of the legal life of the patent should a
- 17 sufficiently superior product come along, but there's
- no more demand for the products that we would otherwise
- 19 be talking about.
- 20 Q. And so you'd have to know whether or not there
- 21 might be some other factor that would intervene and cut
- off demand for the product covered by that patent,
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. If it were to be the case that the fact finder
- 25 understood that in the back years of the legal life of

1 the patent, the patent would become irrelevant, then I

- 2 would think the fact finder should take that into
- 3 account.
- Q. Okay. The fact finder would also want to take
- 5 into consideration in your view the time value of
- 6 money, correct?
- 7 A. Well, in my analysis, in my report, I show that
- 8 the time value of money can come into play as it's
- 9 experienced by the incumbent, the litigating entrant
- 10 and also consumers. I also point out that if it's
- 11 symmetric in the sense that all the parties have the
- 12 same time value of money, then, in fact, the analytics
- 13 essentially make the calculation of the time value of
- money drop out of the central role of the analytic
- 15 comparisons.
- 16 However, if the time value of money is very
- 17 different, for example, as between the litigating
- 18 entrant and the incumbent as per the so-called
- 19 cash-strapped scenario, then that differential in the
- 20 time value of money actually plays a very important
- 21 role in understanding what might have been the
- 22 rationale for the side deal in its totality.
- Q. And from the perspective of consumers, the
- 24 value in the early years might be quite different from
- 25 the value of the later years, correct?

- 1 A. Sure.
- 2 Q. You would also take into account the size of
- 3 the market over time, correct?
- A. Yes, the larger is the market during various
- 5 phases, in particular with respect to the interaction
- 6 between the incumbent and the litigating entrant, then
- 7 that puts differential weights on those stretches of
- 8 time from the point of view of the impact of entry
- 9 dates on the impact on consumers.
- 10 Q. And in order to make a determination, you'd
- 11 also want to know when and whether the generic was
- going to enter relative to the litigation that was
- 13 pending, correct?
- 14 A. I don't know what you mean.
- Q. Well, for example, whether the generic could
- 16 enter during the pendency of the litigation.
- 17 A. The same generic who's litigating?
- 18 O. Correct.
- 19 A. That might matter.
- 20 Q. It also might matter whether or not the generic
- 21 was able to enter even once the litigation was over,
- for example, because of manufacturing or FDA approval
- 23 concerns?
- 24 A. Yes, absolutely, because that certainly might
- 25 affect, if it's important, what is the actual arrival

1 of meaningful entry from the consumer perspective under

- 2 the settlement as compared to the eventualities that
- 3 might occur under litigation.
- Q. Now, if I understood you correctly, your
- 5 criticism of Professor Bresnahan's test is that you
- 6 think it could prevent settlements that would be
- 7 beneficial to consumers, correct?
- 8 A. I would go more broadly that Professor
- 9 Bresnahan's test poses the danger of stifling the
- ability of the parties to reach settlements of
- 11 underlying patent disputes, and lots of different
- 12 categories of social harm I think follow from that, as
- 13 I discussed this morning. Yes, cutting off settlements
- 14 that might be favorable for consumers, but also, I
- 15 think it's a valid economic concern to understand that
- 16 the same misapplication of a bad rule would be chilling
- 17 the good effect of settlements on the parties, the
- 18 litigating parties, and also on the general judicial
- 19 system of our country, where it's important that
- 20 settlements that are appropriate be fostered, not
- 21 stifled.
- Q. And if we could call up Exhibit SPX 2334.
- 23 Maybe I could just use the chart.
- This is the demonstrative Entry by a Third
- 25 Party that you prepared, correct, Dr. Willig?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Now, you haven't done any empirical research
- 3 regarding how many settlements in the real world fall
- 4 within this model, correct?
- 5 A. You mean within the ambit of the settlements
- 6 involved in this case?
- 7 Q. Well, are you -- have you done any research as
- 8 to whether any cases in the real world actually fall
- 9 within all of the conditions that you've identified
- 10 within that model?
- 11 A. My understanding is that the specific portion
- 12 of this model that gives it its name, Entry by a Third
- Party, that that's a factor of the marketplace that is
- realistic frequently and certainly within the cases
- 15 that are at issue here.
- 16 Q. Okay, that wasn't quite my question, Dr.
- 17 Willig. It was whether -- my question is, have you
- done any empirical research with respect to the number
- 19 of settlements that would satisfy all of the conditions
- 20 that are required to set up the conditions that you've
- 21 identified in SPX 2334?
- 22 A. Well, if you mean have I gone around doing a
- 23 count in a broader environment than just this case,
- I've done no counting exercises; however, the
- 25 distinguishing feature of this analysis is entry by a

- 1 third party, and it's my general understanding that in
- 2 pharmaceutical markets generally, in markets in a
- 3 variety of industries where there are instances of
- 4 litigation and patent litigation and the possibility of
- 5 side deals with or without net consideration, that the
- 6 possibilities of entry by third parties to the core
- 7 patent litigations is commonplace.
- 8 Q. But entry by a third party is not the only
- 9 condition required to satisfy the model that you've
- 10 shown here, is it?
- 11 A. Well, I was wondering what else you had in mind
- 12 by your question.
- 13 Q. I'm talking about all of the other conditions
- 14 that are required to satisfy this chart.
- 15 A. Well, in this chart, there's actually no risk
- 16 aversion assumed, and as I explained in my direct
- 17 testimony, I actually think that's unrealistic, because
- it's generally the case that risk aversion is
- 19 applicable in my view, but as I explained, this
- 20 particular analysis which leaves out risk aversion in
- 21 no way turns on whether or not there is risk aversion.
- 22 So, the purpose of this analysis was to demonstrate the
- 23 importance of the possibility of entry by a third party
- 24 called to the attention of our fact finders here that
- 25 under those generally important circumstances, it's

- 1 quite plausible that consumers would, in fact, be
- 2 benefitted by settlements even if the allowed entry
- 3 date under those settlements were to the later side of
- 4 the mean probable date of entry and to call to the fact
- 5 finder's attention in these cases as well as others
- 6 that it may very well be the case that net
- 7 consideration is vital in order for the parties to
- 8 reach any settlement at all, and in particular, that
- 9 payment of net consideration can enable the attainment
- of a socially beneficial settlement, particularly of
- 11 benefit to consumers.
- 12 So, I think this is of importance quite
- generally within the assumptions that it makes which I
- think are generally relevant.
- Q. Dr. Willig, you're not aware of any case, I
- 16 take it, in which in the real world entry by a third
- 17 party resulted in a gap between the generic and the
- incumbent which by failure of their -- of net
- 19 consideration, they were unable to reach a settlement.
- 20 Is that correct?
- 21 A. I've actually not done a study that would have
- 22 enabled me to either find or not find a particular
- 23 instance of negotiation where there were an impasse
- 24 caused by the awareness of entry by a third party, but
- 25 nevertheless, my analysis, which is here to replace

- 1 Bresnahan's analysis, shows that the Bresnahan rule
- 2 derived from a framework without entry by a third party
- 3 is really dangerous because it reaches the wrong
- 4 general conclusion and is put forward by Professor
- 5 Bresnahan, as well as those relying on his analysis, as
- 6 being of general applicability rather than absolutely
- 7 wrong in instances that themselves are based on
- 8 generally applicable factors.
- 9 Q. Dr. Willig, doesn't your model in SPX 2334, in
- 10 fact, show that a comparison of the mean probable date
- of entry under litigation to the settlement date would
- 12 be subject to exactly the same criticism that you
- 13 leveled at the Bresnahan rule?
- 14 A. How so?
- Q. Well, isn't it the case, sir, I think as you
- 16 pointed out in your direct, that there are settlements
- 17 that you would consider to be pro-consumer that would
- be precluded by a test that compared the settlement
- 19 date with the mean date of entry under litigation?
- 20 A. I think maybe you're characterizing my position
- 21 wrongly or maybe you don't intend to characterize my
- 22 position. What I was trying to say -- and see if I'm
- 23 being responsive, please -- is that in this
- 24 circumstance, and this is an example of the analytics,
- 25 consumers would prefer settlements with entry dates

1 that go to the right-hand side of the arrow below the

- 2 consumer box, which goes to the later side of the mean
- 3 probable date of entry under litigation, and that some
- 4 of those can be supported by the passage of net
- 5 consideration, as could some settlements to the early
- 6 side of the mean probable date of entry, and a rule
- 7 against net consideration would cut off those
- 8 settlements, but permissiveness toward the passage of
- 9 net consideration would enable those settlements to be
- 10 reached. It wouldn't stop them from being reached.
- 11 Q. Well, just to make sure we're understanding
- each other, Dr. Willig, in your report on page 10, you
- had said the only reliable way to determine if a
- particular settlement is harmful to consumers is to
- examine the specific features of that settlement and,
- 16 in particular to determine if the date of competitive
- 17 entry called for by the settlement comes before or
- 18 after the mean date of entry under litigation.
- 19 That analysis, as I think you've shown here in
- 20 your chart, would, in fact, preclude settlements to the
- 21 right of the mean probable date of entry under
- 22 litigation that you had described as pro-consumer,
- 23 correct?
- A. Oh, I see what you're saying now, Ms.
- 25 Creighton. Thank you.

1 Q. So, to the extent that you have stated a test

- 2 that you think would be applicable --
- 3 A. Um-hum.
- 4 Q. -- that test would fail under this model,
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. I understand your question now, and let me
- 7 explain. This is the one model where the impact on
- 8 consumers is really more complex than the arrival of
- 9 the entry date is in all of the other models that are
- 10 worked through in the paper and demonstrated in the
- 11 charts. In this model, when the consumer surplus
- 12 impact on consumers is fully worked through, then, in
- fact, we get the result that's shown here that
- 14 consumers can actually prefer settlements on the later
- side of the mean probable date of entry to litigation,
- 16 and that comes out of the analysis of the impact on
- 17 consumers through appropriate professional economic
- 18 tools -- namely, consumer surplus -- and that's done in
- 19 the analytics that are now, I hope, part of the record.
- 20 It's not exactly the same thing as the
- 21 statistical mean probability -- mean probable date of
- 22 entry under litigation, but if one goes to the consumer
- 23 perspective and adjudges different dates of entry from
- the point of view of their impact on consumer surplus,
- 25 which is the consumer perspective, then uses the

1 litigation probabilities, one attains the correct

- 2 result.
- 3 Q. So, Dr. Willig, isn't it the case that to the
- 4 extent that SPX 2334 could be viewed as a critique of
- 5 Professor Bresnahan's test, it equally is proof that
- 6 the test of comparing the mean entry date under
- 7 litigation and the settlement date is not a sufficient
- 8 test as well?
- 9 A. No, absolutely not. This analysis shows that
- in some circumstances in particular where there's entry
- 11 by a third party, it's very important to assess the
- 12 mean probable date of entry directly from the consumer
- perspective, which is to understand, for example, here
- 14 that in the right-most, the end-most period of time
- within the patent life whether or not there are three
- 16 players in the market, both the entering third party,
- 17 the litigating entrant and the incumbent is of special
- 18 concern to consumers, because in this analysis, when
- 19 there are three, the price falls to a dramatically
- 20 competitive level.
- So, from the point of view of the consumer
- 22 perspective, that's a particularly important stretch of
- 23 time for the consumers to have availability of three
- 24 competing sellers of the product, whereas in the
- 25 earlier part, the issue was only whether there's one or

- 1 two, and that has a smaller impact on the consumer.
- 2 So, when the consumer perspective is adopted as the
- 3 applicable one, and that's what I keep trying to remind
- 4 myself and you and the record, then, in fact, this
- 5 analysis gives exactly the right answer from the point
- 6 of view of consumers.
- 7 Q. Dr. Willig, in performing your analysis in this
- 8 case, did you look for other circumstances in which
- 9 there would be settlements that might be beneficial in
- 10 your view to consumers that also would fall to the
- 11 right, that is, later than the mean probable date of
- 12 entry under litigation?
- 13 A. I don't know that I explicitly looked for them,
- but I think every time I did one of these analyses, a
- part of it was to understand the reservation date for
- 16 consumers, and I think it's fair to say that every time
- 17 we've seen a chart that showed that the reservation
- time for consumers was the mean probable date of entry,
- 19 that that's the way the math came out.
- Q. So, so far as you're aware, there could be
- 21 other analyses that would show that even settlements
- later than the mean date of entry under litigation
- 23 might be viewed as pro-consumer by your definition?
- A. Well, I think the right way to go about the
- analysis is to take the consumer perspective and to ask

- 1 the question using the likelihoods of the underlying
- 2 patent litigation going one way or the other way, hence
- 3 the phrase "mean probable," that when those
- 4 probabilities are applied to the consumer surplus
- 5 measure, which accurately reflects the consumer
- 6 perspective, which is the way I proceeded in all of my
- 7 analyses, then one gets to the right answer.
- Q. All right. Now, Dr. Willig, to find the range
- 9 that you have on SPX 2334, you've made certain
- 10 assumptions regarding where the line that is labeled
- "Consumers Who Expect Further Entry Prefer These
- 12 Settlements to Litigation," that line doesn't
- 13 necessarily have to be to the right of the mean
- 14 probable date of entry under litigation under your
- 15 algebra, does it?
- 16 A. No, actually, it doesn't have to. As I
- 17 remember the analytics, there is an algebraic condition
- which governs whether or not the consumer arrow goes to
- 19 the right of the mean probable date of entry under
- 20 litigation, and under some algebraic circumstances it
- does, and under other algebraic circumstances it does
- 22 not.
- 23 Q. Okay. And it's correct, isn't it, that in
- 24 determining where the -- how far that consumer
- 25 preference line falls, you would need to know some

1 additional factors, such as the total monopoly profit

- 2 and total monopoly dead weight loss, total duopoly
- 3 profit and total duopoly dead weight loss. Is that
- 4 correct?
- 5 A. As I recall it -- I'm relying on memory here --
- 6 I think those algebraic representations do come into
- 7 play in the analytics of where the consumer reservation
- 8 date lies relative to the mean probable date of entry.
- 9 Q. Okay. So, to determine in SPX 2334 whether or
- 10 not settlements are -- enhance consumer welfare or not,
- 11 you would also need to know all of those factors,
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. I'm sorry, could you repeat the question?
- 14 Q. Well, to determine under the circumstances
- shown in your chart, Entry by a Third Party, SPX 2334,
- 16 you would need to know all of those additional factors,
- 17 correct? You would need to know the monopoly and
- duopoly profit and dead weight loss?
- 19 A. Well, within the model -- let's see if this is
- 20 responsive -- it is true that one could not tell
- 21 quantitatively, algebraically where the ends of the
- 22 arrow would lie within the model unless one had a
- 23 quantification of the symbols in the model, but the
- 24 purpose of putting this up and the purpose of doing the
- analysis is not to suggest that the fact finder should

1 somehow replicate my algebra with actual real world

- 2 numbers.
- 3 The point of this analysis is to point out to
- 4 the fact finder the importance of the factor entry by a
- 5 third party and how that factor, among many others, all
- 6 add up to the absolute unreliability and the danger of
- 7 using the shortcut of just ascertaining whether or not
- 8 there is positive net consideration.
- 9 Q. Well, but unless you figure out those factors,
- 10 you don't know, do you, sir, whether or not the
- 11 settlements, in fact, even if you calculated the mean
- 12 probable date of entry under litigation, whether they
- are pro-competitive or whether they fall to the right
- and are anti-competitive, correct?
- 15 A. Well, in this case, if indeed the end of the
- 16 consumer arrow is to the right, then just using the
- 17 statistical mean probable date of entry under
- 18 litigation, which is not the consumer perspective but a
- 19 statistician's perspective, is conservative from the
- 20 point of view of protecting consumers, but still, if
- 21 one were to try to replicate what the chart displays in
- 22 a sharp way would require some sort of quantification,
- 23 which it is not my testimony is what the fact finder
- 24 ought to be doing.
- 25 Q. But unless you do that calculation, isn't it

- 1 true, sir, that you would be potentially chilling
- 2 pro-consumer settlements, just the same way as you've
- 3 criticized Professor Bresnahan?
- 4 A. See, I don't see how that follows at all.
- 5 Being permissive about net consideration doesn't
- 6 necessarily drive the settlement that would be expected
- 7 under that context to be in any particular right-most
- 8 part of the orange bracket, if that's what you're
- 9 somehow assuming by your question.
- 10 Q. No, I don't think I was assuming anything of
- 11 the kind, sir.
- 12 If I can approach the chart again?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- 14 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 15 Q. In order -- since we -- calculating the mean
- 16 probable date of entry under litigation in this
- instance doesn't tell us whether a settlement is
- pro-competitive or anti-competitive, correct, because
- 19 there could be settlements even to the late side of
- 20 that line that under your diagram would be good for
- 21 consumers, correct?
- 22 A. Right, and remember, the reason is that from
- 23 the consumer perspective, the impact on consumers of
- the entry date of the litigating entrant actually
- 25 changes depending upon its relationship to the time of

- 1 entry by the third party.
- 2 Q. Correct, but to know whether or not a
- 3 settlement lies in the range that you've highlighted in
- 4 orange or whether it lies to the right of that line and
- is not welfare-enhancing, you would have to know where
- the consumer expectation line ends, correct?
- 7 A. If one were trying to make that sharp a
- 8 distinction as a process of law enforcement, then that
- 9 would be so, but I'm not here to advocate that a fact
- finder be held to the task of literally quantifying
- 11 this diagram and somehow using it within that format.
- 12 Q. Okay. So, you don't think a fact finder should
- be held to the standard of having to include any
- possibility that a particular rule would foreclose
- potential pro-consumer settlements. Is that correct?
- 16 A. No, I think that the right attitude for the
- 17 fact finder is to avoid shortcuts where they're
- 18 unreliable and dangerous and instead to employ best
- 19 evidence on the subject of the impact on consumers of
- the settlement that's being scrutinized.
- 21 Q. Now, Doctor, we've been assuming for these
- 22 purposes that the consumer expectation line will end to
- 23 the right of the mean entry date under litigation, but
- your algebra doesn't compel that answer, does it? In
- 25 fact, the consumer litigation line or preference line

- 1 could end short of the mean entry date under
- 2 litigation. Isn't that correct?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Hang on, Counselor. You asked
- 4 him two questions.
- 5 MS. CREIGHTON: I'm sorry.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Let's go one at a time.
- 7 MS. CREIGHTON: I was attempting by the second
- 8 to explain the first.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Susanne, read back the first
- 10 question, please.
- 11 (The record was read as follows:)
- 12 "QUESTION: Now, Doctor, we've been assuming
- for these purposes that the consumer expectation line
- will end to the right of the mean entry date under
- 15 litigation, but your algebra doesn't compel that
- 16 answer, does it?"
- 17 THE WITNESS: No.
- BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 19 Q. And in fact, depending on the relationship
- 20 between monopoly and duopoly profit and dead weight
- loss, the consumer preference line, in fact, could fall
- 22 short of the mean date of entry under litigation,
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. Yeah, this is the kind of case where using the
- 25 statistical mean from the point of view of the

- 1 nameless, faceless statistician doesn't accurately
- 2 reflect the consumer perspective, because the different
- 3 stretches of time before and after the arrival of the
- 4 third-party entrant have different impacts on the
- 5 consumer, and as a result, taking the consumer
- 6 perspective and looking at the mean probable date from
- 7 the consumer perspective gives one answers that are
- 8 different than what the statistician would label as the
- 9 mean probable date of entry, which is what that bubble
- 10 is pointing to on the chart.
- 11 Q. Okay. So, in the case where the consumer
- 12 preference line ends at a date earlier than the mean
- date of entry under litigation, it would be possible
- 14 for the parties to enter into settlements that were
- earlier than the mean date of entry under litigation,
- 16 but, in fact, reduced consumer welfare. Isn't that
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. Well, that wouldn't be so if the mean probable
- 19 date of entry under litigation were construed from the
- 20 consumer perspective, then that concept would coincide
- 21 with the consumer's reservation date.
- 22 Q. But if mean probable date of entry under
- 23 litigation were defined as you defined it in your
- report, that would be so, wouldn't it?
- 25 A. In my report, I include the consumer surplus

1 probability calculations of the very kind that underlie

- 2 this discussion. So, my report is using the consumer
- 3 perspective reliably in the analytics.
- Q. Isn't it the case, sir, that calculating the
- 5 mean date of entry under litigation the way we were
- 6 describing, where you would look at the objective odds,
- 7 the economic life of the patent, the shape and life of
- 8 the market, all of those things this example shows
- 9 wouldn't tell you whether a settlement that was either
- 10 before or after that date was good for consumers,
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. No, that's not correct, because the arrival of
- the third-party entrant is one of those features like
- 14 the shape and size of the market, it's in that same
- 15 category, that changes the consumer perspective and
- 16 makes it different from the statistician's perspective
- 17 on what is the mean probable date. Different stretches
- of time take on different significance from the
- consumer's perspective because of the entry of the
- 20 third party.
- 21 Q. Okay. Well, if you're going to redefine the
- 22 mean probable date of entry under litigation to include
- 23 the consumer perspective, then you are going to need to
- 24 know all those factors we just talked about about
- 25 duopoly profit and dead weight loss, monopoly profit

- 1 and dead weight loss, correct?
- 2 A. Well, one would need to take into account in
- 3 whatever is the applicable fashion the way that these
- 4 factors bear on the welfare of consumers, and if one
- 5 has the appropriate target, namely, impact on consumer
- 6 welfare, which is the right standard, although
- 7 sometimes a challenging one to meet, under that
- 8 standard, where these factors are important and change
- 9 the consumer perspective in the sense of making it
- 10 different from the statistician's perspective, it's the
- 11 consumer's perspective that is the relevant one for
- 12 judging competitiveness.
- 13 Q. Now, sir, you would agree, wouldn't you, that
- 14 the overwhelming percentage of cases settle?
- 15 A. In general, I think that's right.
- 16 Q. And that's true of all types of disputes,
- including patent disputes, correct?
- A. I imagine that's true, but I'm not -- I'm not
- really sharply a student of those numbers.
- 20 Q. Well, if I told you that there was testimony a
- 21 few days ago from one witness that he had a database in
- 22 which 45 of 50 patent cases settled, would you have any
- 23 reason to think that those numbers are way off, based
- on your understanding?
- 25 A. I'm sorry, what did you did say, 50 cases

- 1 settled?
- 2 Q. Forty-five out of 50 cases settled.
- 3 A. Oh, I see. That doesn't surprise me.
- 4 Q. Now, considering the consumer welfare of either
- 5 a test that looks at the mean entry date under
- 6 litigation or some other test, it would be appropriate
- 7 to look not only at the effect of that rule on cases
- 8 that don't settle but also potentially on cases that
- 9 do, correct?
- 10 A. Yes, I would say that's fair.
- 11 Q. And when you were advocating in your report
- 12 that the only way to determine whether a settlement is
- good for consumers or not was to compare the mean entry
- 14 date under litigation with the settlement date, you
- weren't imposing a screen that would only apply that
- 16 analysis to cases where there otherwise wouldn't be a
- 17 settlement, correct?
- A. I'm confused by your question. I think I
- 19 explained this morning that there are two applicable
- 20 standards of comparison that arise from my analysis.
- One is litigation, as the alternative to a particular
- settlement that's being analyzed, and the other might
- 23 be an alternative settlement if there were direct
- 24 evidence of the practicality of some alternative
- 25 settlement for the purpose of the comparison from the

- 1 consumer perspective.
- Q. Let me ask the question this way, Doctor: In
- 3 the 45 cases out of 50 that settled, hypothetically,
- 4 would you allow the payment of net consideration so
- 5 long as the settlement date was short of the mean
- 6 probable date of entry under litigation?
- 7 A. I'm not here to offer a rule, but I am here to
- 8 say that I think it would be generally a bad idea,
- 9 dangerous, to adopt a rule against net consideration as
- 10 applied to all 50 of those cases that you're
- 11 mentioning.
- 12 Q. Okay. Now, in your expert report, in your
- testimony today, you focused on the benefit of a rule
- 14 with respect to its effect on permitting settlements in
- 15 the five cases out of 50, correct, the cases that
- wouldn't settle otherwise?
- 17 A. The cases that wouldn't settle otherwise? That
- 18 question in a way presumes that I have information or a
- 19 view on whether the 45 cases that settled involved some
- 20 form of net consideration or side deal or not, and I'm
- 21 just not apprised of that.
- Q. Okay, I thought I heard you say in your direct
- 23 testimony that you thought it would be a mistake to
- 24 prohibit patent splits with net consideration because
- 25 those payments might very well be essential to the

- 1 settlement, correct?
- 2 A. Yes, to good settlements, um-hum.
- 3 Q. And you were focused, weren't you, principally
- 4 on the effect of a rule on those cases where net
- 5 consideration might otherwise be essential for
- 6 settlement, correct?
- 7 A. That is what I was able to show, which to me
- 8 totally overturns the analysis put forward by Professor
- 9 Bresnahan in support of the so-called Bresnahan rule,
- 10 as well as reliance on that rule by complaint counsel
- 11 to the extent that complaint counsel is so relying.
- 12 Q. Did you consider what effect your rule of
- 13 allowing net consideration would have on cases in which
- 14 settlements otherwise would occur?
- 15 A. I understand that changing the rules would have
- an impact both on cases that would otherwise not settle
- 17 at all or find some other settlement as well as cases
- that would find settlement, but I think in this totally
- 19 unsettled area, the harm that is clearly identified
- 20 here from a rule that is dangerous within its own four
- 21 corners, having identified those dangers, we as a
- 22 policy community should pay attention to that.
- 23 Q. Okay, but would you agree that if a rule
- resulted in settlements that lower consumer welfare in
- 25 the majority of cases that would otherwise settle, that

1 that would be something that a policy maker would want

- 2 to take into consideration?
- A. Well, yes, I think in general when economists
- 4 think about per se rules or inflexible general rules,
- 5 economists do think about this from the decision-making
- 6 point of view of public policy. We understand that one
- 7 should be thinking through a balance between what we
- 8 call type one and type two errors, errors of omission
- 9 and commission, and we also understand that as a
- 10 general framework for such analyses that it's only on
- 11 the basis of a great deal of experience pointing toward
- 12 a conclusion that an inflexible or a per se rule would
- generally improve things and hardly ever harm things,
- and then it might follow that a per se or an inflexible
- 15 rule would be warranted.
- 16 What worries me here is that Professor
- 17 Bresnahan, perhaps complaint counsel, puts forward a
- new, very inflexible, nearly per se rule without there
- 19 being a great deal of experience about it, hardly any I
- 20 would say, and with there being now, due to my own work
- 21 and the understanding of others, that there's a very
- 22 serious potential downside from this rule.
- 23 Q. Dr. Willig, wouldn't you agree that if there is
- 24 an adverse effect on consumer welfare from a rule that
- 25 allows net consideration on the majority of cases, that

1 that would be something that would be -- you would want

- 2 to point out in your report or your testimony?
- 3 A. I think if I knew on the basis of experience
- 4 that the harms that I had identified were likely to be
- 5 overwhelmed by opposite impacts on the other side, and
- 6 if I knew that based on sufficient experience, I would
- 7 be offering a different conclusion.
- Q. Okay. Well, isn't it true, Dr. Willig, that
- 9 your report is entirely silent with respect to the
- 10 effects of a rule that allows net consideration,
- 11 harmful or otherwise, on cases that otherwise would
- 12 settle?
- 13 A. No, it's true that I myself am aware of the
- 14 newness of the inquiry and the novelty of the questions
- here that are posed. I'm aware also of the absence of
- 16 experience on the part of the policy community, courts,
- 17 the agency, economists who think about these things,
- and that we are way, way short of the kind of
- 19 experience and the kind of knowledge of the balance of
- 20 harms and benefits that would ordinarily suggest that
- 21 it was appropriate to adopt a new inflexible, nearly
- 22 per se rule of the kind that Professor Bresnahan is
- 23 putting forward here.
- Q. One important part of Professor Bresnahan's
- 25 analysis relates to the incentives of the parties if

- 1 payment of net consideration is permitted, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And yet you didn't think it appropriate to
- 4 address the effect of that incentive on the majority of
- 5 cases that would settle without the payment of net
- 6 consideration, correct?
- 7 A. No, I'm well aware, and it shows up in my own
- 8 analytics, that there are opportunities for the parties
- 9 to employ net consideration in a way that would push
- 10 the applicable entry date to the right-hand side of the
- 11 area where consumers benefit and that it might, in
- 12 fact, be profitable for the negotiating parties to move
- their deal in that direction if there were no reason
- 14 for them to experience any breaking forces in the
- opposite direction. I think I covered in my report
- 16 that the understanding of antitrust and of the need to
- 17 be cautious about the use of net consideration, in part
- because of legal considerations, is a contrary force
- 19 that can be expected to stop parties from just running
- 20 willy-nilly in the anti-competitive direction with the
- 21 use of net consideration.
- Q. Dr. Willig, Professor Bresnahan isn't the only
- 23 economist involved in this case who has thought that it
- was possible not to have to do a comparison of the mean
- 25 data of entry under litigation with the settlement,

- 1 correct?
- 2 A. I'm not sure who you're referring to.
- 3 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as CX 708.
- 4 It's a report of Carl Shapiro.
- If I may approach, Your Honor?
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 7 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, would you like a
- 8 copy?
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Are you going to put it on the
- 10 ELMO?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Yes.
- 12 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I don't need it, thank you.
- 13 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- Q. Dr. Willig, this is one of the documents that
- you reviewed in connection with preparing your expert
- 16 report, correct?
- 17 A. I believe that's right.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Objection, Your Honor, as to
- 19 the use of this report. I was not allowed to use Mr.
- 20 Fliesler's deposition. Mr. Shapiro -- Carl Shapiro is
- 21 not testifying here. I don't see why -- why complaint
- counsel should be able to use this report.
- MS. CREIGHTON: I'm using it, Your Honor, to
- 24 confront the expert and probe the scope of his
- 25 testimony with respect to the only reliable way to

- 1 analyze these settlements is the way that he's
- 2 identified, and I want to probe that by confronting him
- 3 with the opinion of another expert, which is one of the
- 4 documents that he reviewed and identified in his expert
- 5 report as a basis for his opinion.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Is this a document he
- 7 considered and relied upon in forming his opinion?
- 8 MS. CREIGHTON: Yes.
- 9 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No, he reviewed --
- 10 MS. CREIGHTON: I'm sorry, well, he listed it
- 11 as a document he reviewed. I'm not offering -- I'm not
- 12 offering it into evidence, Your Honor. I'm just
- seeking to use statements that were in this report
- 14 which he has reviewed and is familiar with and confront
- 15 him with it and see what he says about the limits of
- 16 his analysis.
- 17 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: And I -- it seems to me to be
- 18 the exact same context as the deposition of Mr.
- 19 Fliesler, which I was not allowed to use.
- 20 MS. CREIGHTON: But I'm -- I beg to differ,
- 21 Your Honor. He was seeking to introduce the statement
- of Mr. Fliesler to have him adopt it and sort of
- 23 endorse it. I'm using this to confront the witness. I
- 24 have been informed that -- I was not here in court --
- 25 that this exact document was used in cross examination

- 1 with Professor Bresnahan.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Right now I'll sustain the
- 3 objection until I hear a better foundation.
- 4 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 5 Q. Dr. Willig, have you seen this document before?
- A. I believe I did see it before, yes.
- 7 Q. And let me show you attachment 1 to your
- 8 report.
- 9 If I might approach, Your Honor?
- 10 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 11 MR. GIDLEY: Susan, could I get a copy?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Oh, I'm sorry.
- 13 MR. GIDLEY: I'm a little bit more hidden than
- 14 usual today. Thank you very much.
- 15 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 16 Q. That copy's a little obscured here, but it is
- 17 Exhibit CX 708, the same as the document you
- 18 identified -- strike that.
- 19 Attachment 1, can you please identify it, Dr.
- 20 Willig?
- 21 A. Oh, attachment 1 was an attachment to my report
- 22 listing materials considered.
- Q. All right. And listed on attachment 1 is,
- "Economic Analysis of the Key-ESI Patent Settlement by
- 25 Carl Shapiro, March 20, 2001."

- 1 Do you see that?
- 2 A. Yes, I do.
- 3 Q. Is that the same as the document I've handed
- 4 you that's marked CX 708?
- 5 A. As far as I can tell by a quick look, yes.
- 6 Q. So, is this report something that you
- 7 considered in connection with preparing your report in
- 8 this case?
- 9 A. The word "considered" is -- I certainly
- 10 reviewed it.
- 11 Q. All right.
- 12 A. I read it at one time.
- Q. At the top of Attachment 1, it says, "Materials
- 14 Considered." Was this, in fact, considered by you in
- 15 connection with preparing your report?
- 16 A. Well, in the sense of "reviewed," yes. The
- 17 other word that you used, if I may add, "relied upon,"
- 18 absolutely not.
- 19 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, I would like the
- 20 opportunity to confront this witness with this
- 21 document.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: I renew my objection, Your
- Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: If he's got it listed on
- 25 Attachment 1, Materials Considered, I'm going to allow

1 her to question him. You can object if you hear a

- 2 question you don't like.
- 3 Go ahead.
- 4 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 5 Q. Dr. Willig, did you review this report?
- 6 A. I did.
- 7 Q. Was it your understanding that when it says,
- 8 "Economic Analysis of the Key/ESI Patent Settlement,"
- 9 that that was a reference to the Schering-ESI patent
- 10 settlement that's at issue in this case?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And Carl Shapiro is a professor of economics at
- 13 the University of California, correct?
- 14 A. I'm not sure that's his title, but I know he's
- at the University of California, Berkeley, he teaches
- in the business school, so he may have a different
- 17 title, but --
- Q. All right, okay. And a few years ago he was
- 19 the chief economist for the Antitrust Division of the
- 20 Department of Justice, correct?
- 21 A. Yes, he was.
- Q. Directing your attention to the footnote, which
- 23 may be very hard to read here, but I'll read it --
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Counsel, I am going to allow
- 25 you to test his data and underlying assumptions but not

1 to force this other expert's opinion into evidence.

- 2 MS. CREIGHTON: Yes, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Just so we're clear.
- 4 MS. CREIGHTON: Yes, Your Honor, I just want to
- 5 identify who he understood this to be coming from.
- 6 This is the last question along these lines.
- 7 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- Q. The footnote says, "This paper was prepared for
- 9 the Federal Trade Commission on behalf of ESI Lederle,
- 10 Inc."
- 11 Was it your understanding that this was
- 12 prepared in that connection?
- 13 A. That doesn't surprise me, but I wouldn't
- 14 necessarily have known that.
- Q. Okay. It was your understanding that Professor
- 16 Shapiro offered an analysis different from the one you
- 17 provided in your testimony here today, correct?
- 18 A. Well, it is different in the sense -- in many
- 19 senses, but, for example, you directed me to that first
- 20 footnote. Right below it is another footnote that in
- 21 some sense immediately separates what Professor Shapiro
- 22 did for his analysis from what I did with mine. The
- 23 footnote says that -- this is Professor Shapiro
- 24 speaking, "My analysis below does not include some of
- 25 the benefits that result from settlements; the

- 1 resolution of uncertainty (I assume the parties are
- both risk neutral, not risk averse) and the benefits to
- 3 the court system from settlement, including both the
- 4 direct costs of operating the court system and the
- 5 benefits from relieving congestion in the courts.
- 6 Inclusion of these benefits, which clearly factor into
- 7 any evaluation of public interest, are beyond the scope
- 8 of my analysis."
- 9 So, evidently the scope of his analysis was
- 10 quite different than the scope of my analysis.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Let me clarify something on
- 12 the record.
- Would you stand up, please, sir?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Something I think you failed
- 16 to mention earlier. There is a substantive difference
- in trying to bolster your expert's opinion on direct
- 18 examination and someone cross examining someone else's
- 19 expert with a document, just so we understand that.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Yes, sir.
- 21 JUDGE CHAPPELL: That's the basis of my ruling.
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Okay.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 25 Q. Professor Shapiro, in fact, looks at a

1 comparison of the settlement entry date and the date of

- 2 entry under litigation, correct? Is that your
- 3 understanding?
- A. Well, I first reviewed this some time ago, and
- 5 I did not review it just now sufficiently, but as I was
- 6 just flipping through it to see if I recognized it, it
- 7 seems that right up on the second page, Section A is
- 8 called Patent Strength, and he seems to be saying, and
- 9 I quote, "To assess what consumer welfare would have
- 10 been under ongoing litigation inevitably requires some
- 11 estimation of the likelihood that the patent would have
- 12 been found valid, enforceable and infringed by the
- other party to the settlement. I call this likelihood
- patent strength, ranging from zero, worthless, to 100
- percent, ironclad," and he goes on to say, paraphrasing
- 16 the next few sentences, patent strength may be
- 17 difficult to assess, but there's no getting around the
- need to do so in order coherently to evaluate the
- 19 antitrust implications of settlements. So, in that
- 20 respect, we're not that far apart.
- Q. I think that was the part I was referring to,
- but then he goes on, and I would like to direct your
- 23 attention to page 5 of the report, where he develops
- 24 his consistency check, and in particular, the third
- 25 paragraph. It states:

1 "There is a genuine consistency check on the

- 2 Key side."
- 3 That would be the Schering side?
- 4 A. Uh-huh.
- 5 Q. "One can reasonably ask why Key would agree to
- let ESI into the market after only 40% of the relevant
- 7 time period, if Key indeed believed its patent to be
- 8 nearly ironclad. The Appendix develops this
- 9 consistency test. Basically, the test boils down to
- 10 the following common-sense question: Did the patent
- 11 holder on net pay more to the challenger than it would
- 12 have incurred in litigation costs had the two parties
- 13 litigated rather than settled? If the patent holder
- 14 believed it was giving up more in value than it was
- saving in litigation costs, one can reasonably infer
- 16 that the patentee was getting something else out of the
- 17 settlement, namely a later expected entry time than
- would have arisen from litigation."
- Do you agree with Professor Shapiro's
- 20 consistency check?
- 21 A. No, as you could predict, absolutely not. His
- 22 so-called consistency check, to the extent it's founded
- 23 in an analysis, it's clear from that earlier footnote
- that I just read to you that part of what he is
- assuming away that causes him to reach this particular

- 1 part of his conclusion is risk aversion as well as the
- 2 other benefits of settlement to society.
- 3 He also does not consider the case of pessimism
- 4 on the part of the incumbent, nor the case of
- 5 third-party entry, all of those being circumstances
- 6 which I analyzed in my far broader work and all of
- 7 which show the inapplicability of his conclusion in
- 8 only a slightly broader framework.
- 9 Q. All right. Well, Dr. Willig, would it be fair
- 10 to say, then, in circumstances where there was no
- finding of risk aversion or third-party entry or
- 12 pessimism, that Professor Shapiro's test would be an
- 13 appropriate one?
- A. No, not at all. It's not a question of whether
- there's a finding of risk aversion and the other things
- 16 that you mentioned. I think Professor Shapiro is
- 17 perfectly clear even from his point of view that he's
- assuming away something which might ordinarily be
- 19 presumed. He just chooses not to include it for
- 20 whatever reason.
- 21 He also doesn't consider either via footnote or
- by inclusion the idea of pessimism, which as we've
- 23 discussed shows up in Professor Bresnahan's report, not
- 24 analyzed, but at least accepted as a possibility that
- 25 might be but is not considered, and it doesn't show up

1 in this paper as being considered at all, as well, and

- 2 the same applies to third-party entry.
- 3 Q. Well, suppose that one were to adopt something
- 4 like the Shapiro rule as a presumption and then say if
- 5 somebody could come in and prove, well, this rule isn't
- a good one, because, in fact, there's entry by a third
- 7 party or there's relative pessimism, what would be your
- 8 opinion of that rule?
- 9 A. I still think that's a dangerous rule. It puts
- 10 the burden on the wrong party. If one imagines a party
- 11 to a patent litigation trying to reach a settlement
- 12 finding that there is an impasse and then considering
- the possibility of a side deal linked to the settlement
- of the patent dispute, and all of a sudden being
- advised by counsel, well, since the presumption goes
- 16 against risk aversion under, say, the proposed FTC
- 17 version of Professor Bresnahan or Professor Shapiro, so
- 18 you have to act here as if you don't mind risk.
- 19 Now, can you still settle the case under the
- 20 proviso that you need to demonstrate somehow your risk
- 21 aversion? Otherwise, you're in legal trouble. That
- seems to me a kind of legal posture that would be
- 23 dangerously chilling of the settlement process and
- thereby lead to the kind of danger that I discussed in
- 25 my direct of cutting off the possibility of reaching

- 1 socially advantageous settlements.
- Q. Okay. So, your testimony, Dr. Willig, is that
- 3 you would apply a test of the presumption of legality
- 4 to the payment of net consideration?
- 5 A. Not at all, absolutely not, I did not say that.
- 6 I think the correct presumption is that risk aversion
- 7 is part of the environment in the context of
- 8 negotiations to settle underlying litigation, where
- 9 it's well understood that one of the main reasons that
- 10 parties attempt to settle litigation is to get rid of
- 11 the risk that otherwise imposes costs on them.
- 12 Q. Dr. Willig, Janusz Ordover is an economist that
- was designated but has not been called by Upsher in
- 14 this case. Is that correct?
- 15 A. He is an economist. I don't know his status
- 16 with Upsher.
- 17 Q. He is someone with whom you've co-authored
- 18 articles?
- 19 A. Absolutely.
- Q. He is a professor of economics at NYU, correct?
- 21 A. Yes, he is.
- 22 O. He was also chief economist for the Antitrust
- 23 Division some years ago, correct?
- A. Yes, he was.
- 25 Q. Now, Professor Ordover has stated that you told

1 him that you read his report in this case. That's

- 2 correct, isn't it?
- 3 A. I'm sorry, say that again.
- 4 Q. Professor Ordover said that you had read his
- 5 report in this case. That's correct, isn't it?
- A. I don't know if he said that.
- 7 Q. Is it correct? Did you, in fact, read his
- 8 report in this case?
- 9 A. I'm not sure now that you mention it.
- 10 Q. He said that you had said that it was a good
- job. Does that refresh your recollection?
- 12 A. Absolutely not.
- Q. So, you have no recollection of having read
- 14 Professor Ordover's report in this case. Is that
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. I actually do not have that recollection, but
- if I could see it, perhaps that would help.
- MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, this would be a
- 19 good time for a break, but if you would prefer for us
- to keep going, that would be fine as well.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: How much more cross do you
- 22 have?
- MS. CREIGHTON: I would guess 45 minutes to an
- 24 hour, Your Honor.
- 25 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, then let's take a break

- 1 until 4:30. We're in recess.
- 2 (A brief recess was taken.)
- 3 MS. CREIGHTON: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes, you may.
- 5 According to my thermometer, it's only 79
- 6 degrees in here.
- 7 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- Q. Dr. Willig, I've handed you what's been marked
- 9 as CX 1716. Does reviewing this document refresh your
- recollection as to whether you've seen it before?
- 11 A. I haven't yet reviewed it.
- 12 Q. I'm sorry?
- 13 A. (Document review.) I do recall having reviewed
- something of this character. I can't tell you from my
- three-minute review just now whether it was the entire
- document or fragments thereof or an electronic version,
- 17 but as I'm reading through very quickly some of the
- 18 articulations of the conclusions here, I recognize the
- 19 language, I recognize the hand of Professor Ordover.
- 20 So, I do feel that I have reviewed some form of this in
- 21 the past.
- Q. Okay, let me direct your attention to page 10
- of his report, paragraph 20, see if you recall having
- 24 reviewed that.
- 25 A. (Document review.) I have to tell you that I

- do not sharply recall the language of paragraph 20.
- 2 That doesn't mean that I didn't read it or review it in
- 3 the past. It just means that my memory is limited or
- 4 perhaps I did not. I just really don't know.
- 5 Q. You can put that aside, Dr. Willig.
- Do you recall before the break, Dr. Willig,
- 7 having said that you did not believe that there should
- 8 be a presumption that payments with net consideration
- 9 should be permitted?
- 10 A. I'm sorry?
- 11 Q. Let me just ask the question again, probably be
- 12 quicker.
- Do you think there should be a presumption that
- settlements with net consideration are permissible?
- 15 A. Ah, I'm a little bit worried about the context
- of the word "presumption." That sounds more legal than
- 17 I care to put myself into the context of here. My
- 18 attitude generally is that when it comes to settlements
- 19 of underlying litigation, patent litigation in
- 20 particular, which entail net consideration, that the
- 21 net consideration itself should not be viewed as a red
- 22 flag, in essence per se violation, even given
- 23 monopoly -- the first two legs of the Bresnahan
- three-part test that I assumed in my own analysis.
- 25 On the other hand, I do think that agreements

- 1 to settle patent disputes that entail a split where
- there is net consideration ought to be open to scrutiny
- 3 by antitrust authorities and that there should not be
- 4 some sort of a per se blessing or a safe harbor for
- 5 agreements with net consideration. Rather, they should
- 6 be subject to scrutiny under the only standard that I'm
- 7 aware has any reliability here as a matter of policy,
- 8 and that is looking for the impact on consumer welfare.
- 9 Q. All right. Let me direct your attention to
- page 15 of your deposition, lines 18 to 24. You're
- 11 talking about Professor Bresnahan's analysis.
- 12 A. I'm sorry, page 15 did you say?
- 13 Q. Yes, and you state:
- "I also think it's wrong of him to advance the
- view, as he has, that the mere fact of passage of net
- 16 consideration is indicative of an anti-competitive
- 17 agreement, and instead, I think the proper presumption
- is the opposite, but in any event, certainly the
- 19 character of the agreement ought to become a valid
- 20 object of analysis in a case of this kind."
- Do you recall giving that answer?
- 22 A. It sounds fine, and what I mean by "opposite"
- 23 here, as I read it and as I somewhat recall the episode
- of our deposition, is that it shouldn't be viewed as
- 25 indicative of an anti-competitive agreement, and the

- opposite presumption is appropriate, that is, it's not
- 2 a free pass either, but it's certainly not a red flag
- 3 that should cause an agreement that contains it -- even
- 4 given the first two legs of the Bresnahan test, it
- 5 should not be viewed as something that's just per se
- 6 condemned.
- 7 Q. You also think it shouldn't be presumed to be
- 8 pro-competitive, right?
- 9 A. It shouldn't be a free pass for the agreement;
- 10 rather, it's an element of the agreement, and if it is
- 11 the view of the antitrust authorities and the fact
- 12 finder that the agreement in its totality is
- anti-competitive, is adverse to consumer welfare in the
- 14 context of monopolization, then I do think that
- agreement should be open to legal attack.
- 16 Q. Dr. Willig, you've personally never attempted
- 17 to apply your economic analysis to a settlement,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. I'm sorry, to?
- 20 Q. To a settlement involving payment of net
- 21 consideration, correct?
- 22 A. Anywhere, what do you mean, in this case?
- 23 Q. Either in this case or otherwise.
- 24 A. In this case, I did not look at the facts and
- 25 try to reach a conclusion about whether or not these

- 1 agreements are pro or anti-competitive.
- Q. You also haven't attempted to apply your test
- 3 in any other circumstance, correct?
- A. Well, I'm hesitating because I have been and
- 5 perhaps even am right now involved in some other
- 6 matters where intellectual property is part of the
- 7 issue, and I actually -- I haven't particularly thought
- 8 through whether I could characterize my work in those
- 9 other matters as standing clear of reaching a
- 10 conclusion about whether the agreements entailed there
- 11 are pro-competitive or not. So, I hesitate to
- 12 characterize my work in other cases as so without
- thinking it through, but here, I have certainly not
- come to a conclusion about these particular agreements;
- 15 rather, I'm confining myself to the methodology
- 16 underlying what I view as Professor Bresnahan's
- 17 approach.
- 18 Q. You're not aware of anyone ever having done a
- 19 comparison that you propose with respect to any
- 20 settlement agreement apart from yourself, correct?
- 21 A. My understanding is that this entire area is
- 22 pretty fresh. There may be a few FTC cases, which I
- 23 haven't studied very intensively, but my general
- 24 education is that there's not a lot of familiarity and
- 25 experience by the legal and economic communities in

- 1 analyzing agreements of this kind.
- 2 Q. So, is the answer that you're not aware of
- 3 anyone having applied the comparison that you propose
- 4 to any settlement agreement?
- 5 A. I'm not sharply aware of any other case where
- 6 there was a patent-splitting agreement with a side
- 7 agreement and where somebody performed a test using
- 8 economics or more broadly trying to gauge impact on
- 9 consumer welfare through the kind of lens that I'm
- 10 suggesting here.
- 11 Q. Well, you're not aware of that analysis being
- 12 applied under circumstances outside of litigation,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Outside of litigation? No, I think not.
- Q. Okay. So, you don't have any idea, do you,
- 16 sir, whether that standard can actually be applied,
- 17 right?
- 18 A. Well, the basic standard that I'm advocating is
- 19 a relatively standard Section 2 rule of reason approach
- 20 that says, look, it's -- it's our privilege to have
- 21 antitrust laws that direct the agencies and the courts
- 22 to protect consumer interest against undue
- 23 monopolization, and it's never an easy standard.
- 24 There's lots of situations where -- there's pros and
- 25 there's cons and there's facts that point one way and

- 1 facts that point the other way, and economics can be
- 2 very helpful, but it really comes down to a mixture of
- 3 the facts.
- 4 This is a very familiar circumstance to
- 5 economists, to me personally, in the sense of using the
- 6 antitrust laws to protect consumers against practices
- 7 which have a fundamental ambiguity about them, but one
- 8 thing is clear is that we steer away as best we can
- 9 from using per se treatment of certain features of
- 10 business conduct in the Section 2 context where there's
- 11 as much potential for harm as there is for gain to the
- 12 consumer.
- Q. Okay. It was a simple question, yes or no.
- 14 Let me ask a different question.
- 15 A. Is that a question, because I know my answer to
- 16 that characterization of your question is not quite.
- 17 Q. Isn't it true --
- 18 A. We do have experience with Section 2 analyses.
- 19 Q. Okay. Isn't it true, sir, that you're not
- 20 aware of anyone in litigation or outside of litigation
- 21 having attempted to apply the standard that you propose
- to a settlement with net consideration?
- 23 A. I think that's probably fair. What I was
- 24 trying to point out in my last answer is --
- 25 Q. Actually --

1 A. -- that we do have a lot of experience with

- 2 Section 2.
- 3 Q. And Mr. Schildkraut can ask you about that.
- 4 We talked earlier about the importance of
- 5 determining the objective odds of litigation. You've
- 6 personally never attempted to assess the objective odds
- 7 in any patent case, correct?
- 8 A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. You've never conducted research or published
- 10 articles on the subject, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. You don't consider yourself an expert in that
- 13 area, do you?
- 14 A. No.
- Q. And you're not aware of any empirical research
- in that area, correct?
- 17 A. I can't say that I am, but that doesn't mean it
- 18 doesn't exist.
- 19 Q. So, you don't know whether such an assessment
- 20 is a valid and reliable measure of what the outcome
- 21 from the trial of a case will actually be, correct?
- 22 A. I think it is correct to say that I'm not aware
- of any research on whether or not an expert in subject
- 24 matter technology can arrive at an opinion about the
- 25 odds of a patent case prevailing where those opinions

- 1 have been compared to the actual outcomes of the cases,
- 2 but I would say in general that there are people,
- 3 individuals, who portray themselves and who are
- 4 generally trusted as having something expert of value
- 5 to say on such subjects.
- Q. You don't know whether the reliability of an
- 7 assessment of litigation odds would be affected by how
- 8 early or late a case settles, correct?
- 9 A. I don't understand the question.
- 10 Q. Well, are you aware of any research that
- 11 addresses the question of whether an assessment of
- 12 litigation odds early in a case compared to late in the
- case affects the reliability of such an assessment?
- 14 A. Oh, I see. I think I understand. So, you're
- asking me whether if an outside expert were to review
- 16 the facts --
- 17 Q. Correct.
- 18 A. -- as best they're understood earlier rather
- 19 than later, would that expert have a better shot as
- 20 being accurate than the later side?
- 21 Q. Are you aware of any research or analysis as to
- 22 that?
- 23 A. I'm not aware of any professional research that
- 24 goes to that question, but it would make sense as an
- 25 economist to understand that the more information

- 1 that's available to the expert making the assessment,
- 2 that that can only improve the accuracy of the
- 3 assessment.
- Q. There's nothing in your analysis that takes
- 5 that kind of variability into account, correct?
- 6 A. The variability in the accuracy --
- 7 Q. Of an assessment of litigation odds.
- 8 A. And how it might depend upon time?
- 9 Q. And how that might affect whether it would be
- 10 decided that a settlement is pro or anti-competitive.
- 11 A. Well, I do think when I state that my best
- 12 advice that I can articulate on an approach to
- 13 resolving issues of the kind of -- judging whether an
- 14 agreement is pro or anti-competitive, my overall
- position is no shortcuts, look at the impact on the
- 16 consumer, look for best evidence, and in particular it
- 17 makes sense to look at the underlying strength of the
- 18 patent case.
- 19 I think when I articulate a standard like that,
- 20 it's implicit that I understand, by saying "best
- 21 evidence," that part of the fact finder's task is to
- 22 assess different kinds of evidence and give them due
- 23 weight according to the assessment of the reliability
- of that kind of evidence in the setting of the case.
- 25 So, I don't think I'm thoroughly avoiding understanding

- 1 that sometimes it will be relatively unclear and
- 2 sometimes relatively clear in the fact-finding context
- 3 about what is the underlying strength of the patent
- 4 litigation.
- 5 Q. So, if a comparison of the mean date of entry
- 6 under settlement and the -- I'm sorry, the settlement
- 7 date and the mean date of entry under litigation is not
- 8 determined, you would agree that it's appropriate for
- 9 the fact finder to consider other evidence that might
- 10 be dispositive, correct?
- 11 A. I think an open-ended standard is certainly
- 12 appropriate at this point.
- Q. Okay. So, under those circumstances, it would
- be possible for the fact finder in your opinion to
- 15 conclude that the agreement was anti-competitive,
- 16 right?
- 17 A. I think it's possibly appropriate for the fact
- 18 finder to find an agreement is anti-competitive by
- making use of the totality of the evidence, including
- 20 evidence on the strength of the underlying patent
- 21 litigation, and giving due weight to the different
- 22 forms of evidence.
- 23 Q. One of the facts that you would consider
- 24 relevant is whether there was an attempt to mask the
- 25 character of this, correct?

- 1 A. I think that might be relevant.
- Q. If there is clear evidence of an attempt to
- 3 mask the character of a side deal and corresponding
- 4 evidence that the masking is related to the creation of
- 5 a longer period of monopoly power in a relevant market,
- 6 that would be salient for the fact finder to consider,
- 7 correct?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Ms. Creighton, you don't have
- 9 to go so slow as to dictate. Just slow down a little,
- 10 and speak up, please.
- 11 MS. CREIGHTON: Yes, sir.
- 12 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- Q. Were you able to follow the question?
- 14 A. I think so.
- 15 Q. Is that a correct statement of your opinion?
- 16 A. I think that's right.
- 17 Q. Okay. Another factor that you would consider
- 18 relevant is the size of the net consideration relative
- 19 to the overall market, correct?
- 20 A. Yes, I think that's a factor.
- Q. I'd like to look at another one of your charts,
- 22 with the indulgence of Mr. Schildkraut, the
- 23 Cash-Strapped Generic chart.
- Now, this is -- this chart, which I think has
- been identified as SPX 2332, is one of the models in

1 which you've assumed that the incumbent is risk averse,

- 2 correct?
- 3 A. This chart does show risk aversion on the part
- 4 of the incumbent, yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. If I can approach the chart, you've
- 6 shown the incumbent's reservation date, the earliest
- 7 date they would accept, to the left of the mean
- 8 probable date of entry under litigation, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. But to make that assumption, you're not just
- 11 assuming that the incumbent is risk averse, correct?
- 12 A. I don't know what you mean.
- 13 Q. In addition to assuming that the incumbent is
- 14 risk averse, you're also assuming either that the
- incumbent is not optimistic or that risk aversion or
- 16 other litigation costs so swamp its optimism as to push
- 17 this date earlier than the mean probable entry date,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. You're right in reminding the record, which is
- 20 fine, that this demonstrative is based on the situation
- 21 where, in fact, both the litigating entrant and the
- 22 patent holding incumbent have the same accurate views
- of the underlying odds of the patent litigation going
- one way or the other way.
- 25 Q. Okay. And that's true of some of the other

- demonstratives that you have here, too, isn't it, that
- 2 it's not necessarily the case that just because you
- 3 have a risk averse incumbent, that you're necessarily
- 4 going to have a reservation date earlier than the mean
- 5 date of entry under litigation?
- A. You're right that if one mixes many different
- 7 factors together, factors that were highlighted in
- 8 these different models, then all the different forces
- 9 could come into play simultaneously.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. So, as you say, for example, if the incumbent
- 12 here were pessimistic as well as risk averse, that
- would tend to move the reservation date even more to
- 14 the left, or if there were a mix of optimism along with
- risk aversion, that would tend to push the end of the
- 16 arrow to the right to the extent the optimism governs
- 17 and to the left to the extent that the risk aversion
- 18 governs.
- 19 Q. Okay. So, as it is shown in this exhibit,
- 20 we're assuming some mix of either relative conservatism
- 21 in the assessment of odds or relative -- relatively
- 22 higher degree of risk aversion or litigation costs,
- correct, to get the date earlier than the mean entry
- 24 date under litigation?
- 25 A. Well, to be fair to the specificity of the

- 1 demonstrative, it is based on an analysis of a -- one
- of the cases that I've worked through, and in that
- 3 case, the probabilities that the two parties might
- 4 prevail in the patent litigation are viewed by the two
- 5 parties as being the same and are both viewed as being
- 6 realistic by the outside analyst.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. So, there is no optimism, no pessimism, just
- 9 risk aversion and other litigation costs.
- 10 Q. But optimism is pretty frequent in litigation,
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. It might very well be, yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. Now, all else equal, risk aversion and
- litigation costs, by pushing the incumbent's
- 15 reservation date earlier, will tend to make settlements
- more likely, correct?
- 17 A. It gives settlements a wider span of possible
- entry dates that might be mutually acceptable.
- 19 Q. Because the incumbent's date is getting closer
- 20 towards the entrant, correct, that's the --
- 21 A. If we hold the entrant's date fixed, yes.
- Q. So, in an example like this one, there's two
- 23 things going on. There's both risk aversion that
- 24 exceeds the incumbent's optimism, or -- in a case where
- 25 they're not optimistic, plus something that keeps the

1 entrant from being able to meet the incumbent even

- 2 under those circumstances, correct?
- A. When you say "this case," if you're referring
- 4 to my demonstrative, I just want to repeat myself that
- 5 this demonstrative is an illustration of a very
- 6 specific analysis that I've done, and as I've
- 7 explained, that analysis presumes, because this
- 8 analysis is focusing on the cash-strapped element, this
- 9 analysis presumes realism in the understanding of the
- odds of litigation by both the incumbent and the
- 11 entrant.
- 12 Q. Okay. So, if we weren't in a situation where
- it was a cash-strapped generic, so if this is just the
- 14 entrant's line, absent that, what would be the effect
- of risk aversion by the entrant?
- 16 A. Risk aversion by the entrant would push the --
- 17 his or her reservation time to the right.
- Q. So, it moves it closer to the incumbent,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. So, all else equal, risk aversion by the
- 22 parties tends to push them closer together, correct?
- 23 A. All else equal, yes.
- Q. Okay. And so in this model you've assumed
- 25 something that keeps the entrant from having a date

1 that's far enough in time to meet the incumbent even

- 2 though it's risk averse, correct?
- 3 A. This demonstrative reflects the condition of
- 4 there being a cash-strapped generic potential entrant.
- 5 Q. Okay. And in this example, as in your earlier
- one, net consideration enables settlements anywhere in
- 7 the range from the beginning of your orange range
- 8 identified as viable welfare-enhancing settlements with
- 9 net consideration all the way over to the right to the
- 10 end of patent life, correct?
- 11 A. I'm not sure what your question was. The
- 12 orange bracket reflects the settlements that are
- acceptable both to the entrant and the incumbent and
- 14 are also favorable for consumers. That's what the
- 15 orange area does.
- 16 Q. Right, and what net consideration enables is
- settlements anywhere in this range, correct?
- 18 A. Conceivably with net consideration of varying
- 19 amounts, there could be mutually acceptable agreements
- 20 for the entrant and the incumbent that move to the
- 21 right. That's not to say that they would actually go
- 22 there in view of other considerations, like sensitivity
- 23 to antitrust, but nevertheless within the model those
- 24 are viable settlement dates as well.
- 25 Q. Okay. And when I said "this range," I was

1 referring to from the furthest early entry point of

- viable welfare-enhancing settlements with net
- 3 consideration over to the end of patent life. Is that
- 4 what you understood?
- 5 A. About what?
- Q. That was what you were answering, is that there
- 7 could be settlements potentially in this range
- 8 depending on the size of net consideration, correct?
- 9 A. There could be settlements that -- wide to the
- 10 right of the mean probable date of entry under
- 11 litigation for different amounts of net consideration.
- 12 Q. All right. Now, the -- in this demonstrative,
- the incumbent's reservation date, as you've shown it,
- if the parties are able to use net consideration, the
- earliest feasible, viable entry date in such a
- 16 settlement would be strictly later than the incumbent's
- 17 reservation date, correct? It would be to the right.
- 18 It would be somewhere in the range you've highlighted
- in red, correct?
- 20 A. I don't think it is correct the way you said
- 21 it.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. I'll explain again if you like and see if it's
- 24 responsive.
- 25 Q. No. Well, isn't it correct that there are --

- 1 whether or not this viable welfare-enhancing
- 2 settlements with net consideration, whether that exists
- 3 in a particular case or dates earlier than the mean
- 4 probable date of entry under litigation makes some
- 5 assumptions about the difference between monopoly
- 6 profits and the sum of duopoly profits?
- 7 A. It's certainly true that within this model --
- 8 this is not always the case -- depending upon
- 9 parameters like the ones you mentioned, whether or not
- 10 net consideration can actually close the gap, and, in
- 11 fact, there are examples of a cash-strapped generic
- 12 potential entrant coupled with a risk averse incumbent
- where the risk aversion is sufficiently great and the
- cash-strappedness is not sufficiently severe that they
- actually close the gap just because of other facts.
- 16 On the other hand, the gap may be so large that
- there is still no settlement available with net
- 18 consideration that does entail a settlement date to the
- 19 early side of the mean probable date of entry under the
- 20 litigation. All of these possibles are alive within
- 21 the analysis.
- Q. But in particular, in SPX 2332, to have the
- viable welfare-enhancing settlements with net
- 24 consideration, that possibility, the assumptions that
- 25 you've made are assumptions about risk aversion by the

1 incumbent, cash-strapped generic and differences in the

- 2 relationship between monopoly and duopoly profits,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. I think those are the salient parameters that
- 5 undergird these different cases, yes. There may be
- 6 some others, too.
- 7 Q. Okay. And are you aware of any settlements or
- 8 cases in the real world that were unable to settle
- 9 because there was a gap in the ability of the parties
- 10 to bridge their differences because they weren't able
- 11 to pay net consideration?
- 12 A. No, I don't have empirical evidence on that or
- whether that has arisen in some actual case due to the
- fact that the entrant is or was cash-strapped. I just
- don't have that kind of experience, and I'm not sure
- 16 the community does as well.
- 17 Q. All right. Let's look at your demonstrative
- 18 Varied Assessments of Success, SPX 2333.
- This demonstrative pictures another situation
- in which you think that Dr. Bresnahan's rule falls
- 21 short, correct?
- 22 A. Oh, yeah.
- Q. Okay. The reason that the incumbent's
- 24 reservation date is earlier than the mean probable date
- 25 of entry under litigation in this case is because

- they're pessimistic, correct?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 Q. So, for example, that would be true if an
- 4 incumbent thought its odds of winning were 30 percent
- 5 and, in fact, they were really 50 percent, correct?
- A. Right, where it is we, the outside analysts,
- 7 who know the 50 percent number to be right, and where
- 8 the best estimate of the incumbent in these actual
- 9 circumstances is, as you say, 30 percent.
- 10 Q. Okay. Now, in a -- so, the -- since the
- generic and the incumbent parties don't have the
- 12 benefit of our omniscience, the generic thinks that the
- mean entry date under litigation is here at the right
- 14 arrow, correct?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. So, its reservation date is the furthest point
- 17 to the right of the range you've labeled "Optimistic
- 18 Generic Will Only Accept These Settlements," right?
- 19 A. Will only what?
- 20 Q. Will only accept these settlements, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. And the pessimistic incumbent, similarly,
- 23 thinks that the true mean entry date under litigation
- is here at the furthest left of the range you've marked
- 25 the "Pessimistic Incumbent Will Accept These

- 1 Settlements," correct?
- 2 A. The true mean, yes, but, of course, both of
- 3 them may be aware of that they may be optimistic and
- 4 they may be pessimistic and they may be realistic.
- 5 They only form their best estimate without necessarily
- 6 having a great deal of certainty about their estimate,
- 7 but they may still find their estimate to be their best
- 8 estimate.
- 9 Q. It's the best they've got, right?
- 10 A. The best they've got, but they may understand
- it could be -- they could be being pessimistic, they
- 12 could be being optimistic, maybe this is a moment of
- 13 realism. All they know is their best shot is the ones
- 14 indicated.
- Q. Okay. And so any settlement in the range that
- 16 you would identify as being welfare-enhancing, both
- 17 parties would think that the agreement they were
- 18 entering into was, in fact, worse for consumers,
- 19 wouldn't they?
- 20 A. Well, they're both aware most directly that
- 21 they like the settlement. This is a settlement which
- is there in the orange region because they both find it
- 23 preferable to litigation given their best sense of what
- 24 they think the litigation odds are.
- 25 Q. Well, isn't it --

1 A. I'm sorry, and we, the outside observer, who we

- 2 pretend to know the truth, we know that it's good for
- 3 consumers. That's why the orange bracket is to the
- 4 left of that mean probable date of entry.
- 5 Q. But the parties, when they enter into this
- 6 settlement, the generic thinks that the settlement is
- 7 later than any entry date that consumers would find
- 8 acceptable, correct?
- 9 A. Well, that may be the best view, the mean view
- of the optimistic generic, but the optimistic generic
- may not -- may be more humble and say, I don't really
- 12 know that, because if it turns out that I'm actually
- more pessimistic than usual, then maybe the truth is to
- 14 the right, maybe the truth is to the left, but I still
- think I'm getting a good deal from the settlement in
- view of the mixture of the likelihoods of the different
- 17 perspectives that I might have.
- Q. Well, and the incumbent equally thinks that the
- 19 agreement that it's entering into, in fact, is
- 20 anti-competitive, correct?
- 21 A. Well, everything I just said about the generic
- 22 implies -- applies to the incumbent as well. The
- incumbent might also be humble about its ability to
- 24 reach an accurate viewpoint. The incumbent might be
- aware that sometimes it's optimistic, sometimes it's

- 1 pessimistic, sometimes it's realistic. Still, what the
- 2 picture shows as to the reservation time is the one
- 3 that is the best shot of understanding the truth that
- 4 the incumbent has, and you're right to say that the
- 5 orange bracket is to the right of there. Otherwise, it
- 6 wouldn't be acceptable to the incumbent.
- 7 Q. Okay. And so the problem with Professor
- 8 Bresnahan's analysis in your view is that he would
- 9 condemn settlements that both parties think are
- anti-competitive but we subsequently decide they're
- 11 not. Is that correct?
- 12 A. Well, again, the state of mind of these players
- may not be so clear as what your question suggests, but
- if we just amend what you said to say Professor
- Bresnahan's rule is dangerous in circumstances like
- this because it cuts off the use of net consideration
- 17 to obtain settlements which we, the outside observer,
- 18 know are preferable for consumers, that would be an
- accurate portrayal of the lesson of this case.
- 20 Q. Okay. So, you think a better rule is that in a
- 21 case where both parties think they're entering into a
- 22 settlement that's worse for consumers than litigation,
- 23 nonetheless, we should find those settlements under
- 24 such circumstances would be pro-competitive, correct?
- 25 A. I don't think that is correct, actually. I was

- 1 saying here that the particular opinions of the
- 2 incumbent and the entrant, you know, are both off the
- 3 mark. They may be aware that they might be off the
- 4 mark, but they're making the best assessments they can
- 5 and using those assessments in deciding whether or not
- 6 to accept any given settlement, but we, the outside
- 7 observer, or we, the fact finder some years later, but
- 8 using only the information available to the parties,
- 9 reach our own assessment that, yeah, some flag has been
- 10 raised by this net consideration, but we look at the
- 11 agreement as a whole, we look at the best evidence, and
- 12 if we're in possession of an assessment that we can
- 13 rely upon that says, look, the mean probable date of
- entry really was where the diagram shows it, this turns
- out to be a good settlement for consumers.
- 16 Q. Well, Professor Willig, I thought that earlier
- 17 you had identified concern about antitrust enforcement
- as being the governor that would keep parties from
- 19 picking later dates rather than earlier dates. Is that
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes, yes.
- Q. Okay. And that governor in this case would
- 23 keep the parties from entering into settlement at all,
- 24 wouldn't it?
- 25 A. I don't know why that would be the case.

1 Q. Well, both parties think that the agreement

- 2 they're entering into is anti-competitive.
- A. Well, I'm not sure if they actually have such
- 4 views with any certainty if they're properly humble
- 5 about the possibilities of themselves being optimistic
- or pessimistic, but one thing I would point out in
- 7 answer to your question is that if the parties are
- 8 cautious about using net consideration, if they say,
- 9 look, we have concluded from our negotiating process
- 10 that we are at an impasse without net consideration and
- 11 let's use net consideration but only to the extent
- 12 that's necessary to make an agreement work, then that
- would bring them on the diagram to the left-hand side
- of the orange bracket.
- Q. Well, the parties don't know where that line
- 16 is, do they?
- 17 A. Which line?
- 18 Q. The mean entry date under litigation.
- 19 A. No, the parties really do not know where that
- 20 line is.
- Q. Okay. And when you were saying that the
- parties should be humble, it's not only the parties
- should be humble in saying even though we think we
- could get in earlier, why don't we delay entry, that's
- 25 not only -- besides being humble, it's also profitable,

- 1 isn't it?
- 2 A. Relative to what?
- Q. Relative to the dates that they believe are the
- 4 true dates of entry if litigation continues.
- 5 A. Well, the orange bracket dates are profitable
- for both parties relative to litigation, given their
- 7 own views of the odds of succeeding under litigation.
- 8 Q. Well, a settlement in the range that you've
- 9 identified in orange is more profitable to the parties
- 10 than an entry date at the generic's reservation,
- 11 correct, with net consideration?
- 12 A. The way this diagram shows the context, there
- is no available settlement at the reservation date of
- 14 the optimistic generic. I believe that's part of the
- 15 gap. They can't do that. That's the problem.
- 16 Q. Is there anything in your analytics, Dr.
- 17 Willig, that would predict the conditions under which
- parties would choose a settlement with lower payouts
- instead of settlement with higher payouts?
- 20 A. No, my analysis doesn't actually represent
- 21 explicitly within the algebra the force of antitrust
- sensitivity, but that's what we're talking about now.
- 23 Q. And isn't it the case, Dr. Willig, that for any
- 24 point in the orange region that you've highlighted that
- 25 there exists another settlement to the right of the

1 mean probable date of entry under litigation that is

- 2 more probable for the parties?
- 3 A. Yes, I think that's correct.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 A. That's correct from the point of view of the
- 6 diagram, but it's not correct from the broader point of
- 7 view that factors in concerns about legalities,
- 8 antitrust sensitivity and what the implications might
- 9 be of having to go through a process of facing
- 10 antitrust sanctions.
- 11 Q. The parties would prefer a settlement to the
- right of the mean probable date of entry under
- 13 litigation, a later date, to litigation, correct?
- 14 A. There exists a net consideration which could be
- part of an agreement with a later date of entry that
- would be more profitable for the parties than
- 17 litigation. Is that what you said? I don't think so.
- Q. Yes. Well, in the range between after the mean
- 19 probable date of entry under litigation, there exists
- 20 settlements in the range after that date that the
- 21 parties would prefer to litigation, correct, with the
- 22 payment of net consideration?
- 23 A. With appropriate payment of net consideration,
- 24 appropriate to that particular settlement date, yes.
- Q. Okay. And a settlement in that range provides

- 1 less competition than would be expected under
- 2 litigation, correct?
- 3 A. Yeah. Of course, their preference for such a
- 4 possible settlement is what's demonstrated on the
- 5 picture, but that's not a preference that would take
- 6 into account the broader circumstance in which they
- 7 face advice by counsel or their own understanding of
- 8 the antitrust sensitivities about a more unquarded use
- 9 of net consideration. They might understand that they
- need to be relatively gentle with the use of net
- 11 consideration, appropriately so, because of the
- 12 appearance that that gives to the antitrust authorities
- and what might be the resulting antitrust scrutiny that
- 14 they would be subjected to.
- Q. So, is it your testimony that the parties, even
- 16 if it would be more profitable for them to pick a date
- 17 after the mean probable date of entry under litigation,
- they won't pick that date, even though they don't know
- 19 where that line is, and they believe all the
- 20 settlements in the range you've identified are after
- 21 the date that would, in fact, be the last date that
- 22 consumers would accept?
- 23 A. I don't think that's what I said, if you're
- 24 asking me if that's what I said.
- 25 Q. Do you agree?

- 1 A. I don't think so. But it is true that there
- 2 exist settlements to the later side of the mean
- 3 probable date with counterpart amounts of net
- 4 consideration which, apart from antitrust issues and
- 5 legal issues and sensitivity to them, would be more
- 6 profitable for the parties at the same time that it
- 7 would involve a later date than consumers would prefer,
- 8 but we need to look through policy, as we often do in
- 9 the world of antitrust, to legal guidance setting
- 10 appropriate guidance for business conduct so as to push
- 11 the applicable settlements to the left-hand side of the
- 12 picture, and the business conduct that is consistent
- with that force is if you need net consideration as
- part of the deal, don't use an excessive amount of net
- 15 consideration relative to the amount that's needed to
- 16 make the deal work.
- 17 O. Let me -- let's look at the next demonstrative
- 18 that you prepared, the signaling chart.
- I don't have a lot of questions on this one,
- 20 Dr. Willig, but just to confirm, this is another one
- 21 where it's the case that the parties themselves don't
- 22 know where that mean probable date of entry under
- 23 litigation line is, correct?
- A. No, I don't think that's true. Here the
- 25 analysis is a particular version of a circumstance

- 1 where there is asymmetric information and where
- 2 signaling is a possibility. In this particular
- 3 version, which is to hold true to the analytics, the
- 4 incumbent actually knows, and moreover, the generic
- 5 potential entrant has everything accurate except the
- 6 generic doesn't know whether the applicable life of the
- 7 patent is long or short.
- 8 Q. So, is it necessary for your model criticizing
- 9 Professor Bresnahan in this instance for it to be the
- 10 case that the parties actually know the true odds?
- 11 A. No, I'm quite sure the model -- the conclusions
- 12 of the model are robust to changes in that part of the
- 13 setup. The setup, again to focus on the particular
- 14 effect that this analysis explicates, holds the
- probabilities as accurately as possible but confines
- 16 attention to the asymmetry of information on the
- 17 subject of what is the applicable length of the patent
- 18 life, but I do believe the model is robust to changes
- in the assumption about the knowledge of the
- 20 probabilities of success in the underlying patent
- 21 litigation.
- Q. Okay. Do you believe that it's a realistic
- assumption to believe that both parties would know the
- 24 true odds of litigation?
- 25 A. I think if one had to conjecture about whether,

- in general, litigants will at any applicable time of
- 2 negotiation agree on litigation odds and have it right
- 3 from the perspective of an outside observer, that's
- 4 probably less likely than a circumstance where one or
- 5 the other has it wrong, but that doesn't mean that
- 6 these models don't cover those cases in a reliable way.
- 7 I think they do.
- 8 Q. But in those more general circumstances, then
- 9 the parties won't know where the outside observer
- 10 stepping in later draws that mean probable date of
- 11 entry under litigation, correct?
- 12 A. I think they can't perfectly predict where an
- outside analyst would go, but I think they can try to
- have a sense of that as best they can, understanding
- that sometimes they're apt to be on the pessimistic
- 16 side and sometimes they're apt to be on the optimistic
- 17 side.
- Q. Okay. And in those circumstances, for every
- 19 point that -- of settlement in the orange range that
- 20 you've highlighted, "Viable Welfare-Enhancing
- 21 Settlements With Net Consideration," there exists
- 22 another settlement to the right and later than the mean
- 23 probable date of entry under litigation that with
- 24 enough net consideration the parties would prefer,
- 25 correct?

- 1 A. Let me think about that. I think I can help
- 2 move this along in that many of the circumstances, if
- 3 one moves somewhat to the orange bracket and therefore
- 4 somewhere past the mean probable date of entry, there
- 5 will also be other settlements with amounts of net
- 6 consideration that would permit those entry dates to be
- 7 supported by mutually acceptable agreements.
- 8 Where I was hedging is that I think if we talk
- 9 about too much in the way of net consideration, the
- 10 signaling may be impaired. So, I need to be delicate
- in answering that part of the question.
- 12 Q. Let's look at your last chart. This is a chart
- 13 you've identified as Misplaced Optimism. One of the
- 14 assumptions that you've made in this model is that the
- generic is extremely optimistic, correct?
- 16 A. I don't know about the word "extremely," but
- 17 the generic is optimistic, and the case that's shown is
- where that optimism is sufficient relative to the risk
- 19 aversion of the patent-holding incumbent to create a
- 20 gap between their reservation dates.
- 21 Q. Okay. I don't want to actually mark on -- push
- 22 Mr. Schildkraut's courtesy and mark on his chart, but
- 23 I'd like to change the hypothetical here a little bit
- 24 and assume that the risk aversion causes the incumbent
- 25 actually to go all the way to the point where it meets

- 1 or overlaps with the entrant.
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. So, in circumstances where the gap between the
- 4 generic's latest date and the incumbent's earliest date
- 5 has been closed, so that these lines either meet or
- 6 overlap, those would be cases in which the parties
- 7 would be able to settle without the payment of net
- 8 consideration, correct?
- 9 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 10 Q. Okay. And just for simplicity's sake, it might
- be easier just to imagine this line going all the way
- over to this point, all right, namely, the incumbent's
- line going all the way over to meet the generic's entry
- date, so -- I want to ask you some questions.
- Assume that the parties otherwise would be able
- 16 to reach a settlement at the generic's reservation
- 17 date, okay?
- 18 A. By "otherwise," do you mean without net
- 19 consideration?
- 20 O. Without net consideration.
- 21 A. So, the risk aversion is sufficiently
- 22 pronounced that the arrows meet, period.
- 23 Q. Correct. Now, under those circumstances, a
- 24 rule that said that the parties can enter into a
- 25 settlement as long as it's before the mean probable

- date of entry under litigation is going to result in
- 2 settlements closer to the mean probable date of entry
- 3 under litigation than the parties otherwise could have
- 4 agreed to. Is that correct?
- 5 A. What I didn't understand about your question
- 6 was the part about the rule.
- 7 Q. Let me break it down.
- 8 Let's suppose there's a rule that says parties
- 9 can pay net consideration even in cases where they
- otherwise would be able to settle, and the only
- 11 restriction on your ability to pay net consideration is
- 12 that you can't go past or later than the mean probable
- date of entry under litigation.
- 14 Under those circumstances, isn't it the case
- that the parties' incentives will be to settle for a
- later date than they otherwise would?
- 17 A. I think the answer is probably yes, but I'm not
- 18 sure we have enough caveats to really flesh out the
- 19 hypothetical. You're saying there is a possible
- 20 settlement on the early side without net consideration
- 21 and that we, the antitrust authorities, the fact
- 22 finder, know that -- I'm just trying to flesh out your
- 23 hypothetical -- and we, the antitrust agency or the
- 24 fact finder, see that that other settlement possibility
- 25 has been ignored or at least circumvented by a

- different settlement with the passage of net
- 2 consideration and a later date, and that later date
- 3 either is or is not past the mean probable date of
- 4 entry, and you're asking me whether that could happen
- 5 or whether --
- 6 Q. No.
- 7 A. -- what the policy ought to be toward such
- 8 circumstances?
- 9 Q. No, I wasn't clear, and it didn't have quite as
- 10 many restrictions on it as that.
- 11 It was my understanding from your earlier
- 12 testimony that you would not limit the rule permitting
- 13 the payment of net consideration to cases that
- otherwise wouldn't settle, correct?
- 15 A. In my direct testimony, I mentioned today that
- 16 there were two possible benchmarks that I was aware of
- 17 against which to compare an actual settlement. One
- would be litigation, and the other would be some other
- 19 settlement about which there was sufficient knowledge
- 20 to reach the conclusion that it was practical and that
- 21 direct evidence shows that the parties could have
- 22 actually settled in this alternative way at an earlier
- 23 date with no net consideration.
- 24 And I mentioned that as an applicable
- 25 benchmark, as a general matter of policy and theory,

- 1 and then I saw from a demonstrative and testified that
- 2 this is what it meant, that Professor Bresnahan asserts
- 3 in his testimony he's aware of no such thing in this
- 4 case, and that as a result, the only applicable
- 5 benchmark is litigation.
- Q. Well, it's generally going to be the case,
- 7 isn't it, Dr. Willig, that we're not going to know
- 8 whether the parties, in fact, could have settled.
- 9 They're not going to keep around the draft that they
- 10 signed just in case litigation comes along to say,
- 11 well, see, we could have, in fact, settled on other
- 12 terms.
- 13 A. I'm certainly not going to tell you, and I
- don't think you mean to imply, that we never see direct
- evidence of antitrust violation. I think we certainly
- 16 do. There are well-known instances with clear records
- and direct evidence that things were done that
- shouldn't have been done, and the documents or the
- 19 evidence somehow is sometimes available appropriately
- 20 to the agencies and to the fact finder.
- 21 Q. Right. Well, would you apply a screen that
- 22 said unless the parties proved that they couldn't enter
- 23 into a settlement otherwise before allowing the payment
- of net consideration?
- 25 A. No, I think that's probably too strong for my

- 1 taste, but I think information in that direction might
- 2 be pertinent within the assemblage of other information
- 3 that a fact finder ought to be open to hearing in
- 4 adjudicating a case of this kind.
- 5 Q. Well, assuming that for the sake of these
- 6 questions, assume hypothetically that most cases are
- 7 able to settle without the payment of net
- 8 consideration. In all those hypothetical cases, a rule
- 9 that allows them to pay net consideration is going to
- 10 result in them choosing a settlement date that's later,
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. See, I don't think that is correct. You asked
- me to assume first of all that there would be an
- 14 alternative settlement earlier, possibly, without net
- 15 consideration? I think that's exactly the assumption
- 16 that my entire body of work that we spent the whole day
- 17 on shows is an inappropriate assumption for this kind
- 18 of an analysis.
- 19 Q. So, you don't think it's ever the case that the
- 20 parties can settle without the payment of net
- 21 consideration?
- 22 A. I didn't say that. I said one can't assume the
- 23 opposite.
- Q. But I'm asking you to assume that there would
- 25 be cases, some cases, in which there would be the

- 1 payment of no consideration, but they would still
- 2 settle, all right?
- A. Oh, I'm sure there are such cases, absolutely.
- Q. Okay. Now, in those cases, isn't it going to
- 5 be the case that there exists another settlement with
- 6 an entry date later in time that the parties would
- 7 prefer if they are allowed to pay net consideration?
- 8 A. I think within the four corners of the
- 9 analysis, it is true that where there is mutually
- 10 acceptable entry date without net consideration, there
- is also a later entry date, also mutually acceptable to
- 12 the two parties, which would become mutually acceptable
- in the face of sufficient payment of net consideration
- 14 if one confines attention to the demonstrative and to
- 15 the algebra without taking into account legal advice
- 16 and concern about antitrust.
- 17 Q. Well, I'm not hypothesizing a settlement later
- than the mean date of entry of litigation, so if that
- 19 was not clear, let me go back over this.
- 20 Suppose the parties could settle without the
- 21 payment of net consideration. Suppose there was a
- legal rule that said you can pay net consideration as
- long as you stop at the mean probable date of entry
- 24 under litigation. Are you with me?
- 25 A. And that's all your hypothesized rule says?

1 Q. So far. I haven't asked the question, but

- 2 that's all I've assumed so far.
- 3 A. So far. I'm with you so far, then.
- Q. In a case where the parties could settle
- 5 without the payment of net consideration but the legal
- 6 rule said but you can pay net consideration as long as
- you don't go later than the mean date of entry under
- 8 litigation, isn't it the case that for every settlement
- 9 date that the parties could agree to without net
- 10 consideration, they would pick another later date if
- 11 they were permitted to pay net consideration?
- 12 A. Within the four corners of the analysis, if
- there is an entry date that's mutually acceptable
- 14 without net consideration, there does exist a whole
- 15 range of later entry dates and supporting net
- 16 consideration that would be profitable for the parties
- in the absence of worrying about any legal problems
- 18 that they might as a result have.
- 19 Now, if -- if you stipulate in your
- 20 hypothetical that they're quaranteed a free pass, no
- legal concern whatsoever, don't worry, use as much net
- 22 consideration as you want so long as the entry date
- 23 stays to the inside of the mean probable date of entry
- 24 under litigation, if that were a credible legal rule,
- 25 you're per se okay as long as you're to the left, then

- 1 indeed they would have incentives under such a legal
- 2 environment to push the date of entry out until the
- 3 point where they might begin to fear some sort of legal
- 4 scrutiny or some vulnerability.
- 5 Q. And that's, in fact, the rule that you've
- 6 advocated in this case, isn't it?
- 7 A. No, absolutely not. We've talked just recently
- 8 and I've talked on and off all day about what is the
- 9 applicable benchmark for comparison.
- 10 Q. Assuming that we don't have proof of some
- 11 extant alternative settlement.
- 12 A. Well, in this case it's my understanding, based
- in part on Professor Bresnahan's testimony and I think
- the complaint as well, but maybe not as clearly as
- Professor Bresnahan, that complaint counsel is putting
- 16 forward as the applicable benchmark for comparison that
- 17 of litigation rather than that of some earlier date of
- 18 allowed entry under some alternative settlement about
- which there's sufficient evidence to take it seriously
- 20 that such a settlement would have been applicable in
- 21 the absence of net consideration or in the absence of
- 22 these side arrangements ancillary to the principal
- 23 settlement of the patent dispute.
- Q. I wasn't talking about -- and I'm sorry if I
- 25 wasn't clear -- about the application of your rule to

- 1 this case, but I understood you to be proposing a rule
- 2 more generally about how we should approach cases in
- 3 which there's a settlement with a payment of net
- 4 consideration, and my understanding is that absent some
- 5 proof of an alternative settlement agreement, you would
- 6 advocate a rule that says, regardless of whether the
- 7 parties could or could not settle, as long as their
- 8 settlement is earlier than the mean probable date of
- 9 entry under litigation, it should be permitted. Is
- 10 that correct?
- 11 A. No. As a matter of economics -- and I can't
- opine as a lawyer -- but as a matter of this
- economist's understanding of Section 2, there's no
- 14 reason in economics or in economists' conception of the
- law to confine the applicable benchmark to be that of
- 16 litigation instead of some other applicable benchmark
- 17 if there is direct evidence about the reality of that
- other benchmark. I don't see how you can characterize
- 19 me as saying anything different.
- Q. Dr. Willig, just to -- if I can get away with
- 21 asking a question about all of your models here, isn't
- it the case that you're not aware of a single case in
- 23 the real world where the assumptions that are embedded
- in each of those models could actually apply?
- 25 A. No, that's not the case. My assumption of risk

1 aversion is based on my view and long experience in the

- 2 profession that risk aversion is a generally prevalent
- 3 and important phenomenon for decision-making in the
- 4 face of risk, and in the context that we're talking
- 5 about here, namely, settling litigation, it is widely
- 6 understood that one of the principal purposes and
- 7 benefits of settlement is to avoid the kind of risk
- 8 that litigation endemically entails. So, I believe
- 9 that risk aversion is absolutely endemic to the context
- 10 that we are together analyzing here.
- 11 The presumption of misplaced -- excuse me,
- misplaced optimism, because it's right on the board, my
- understanding, and I think Professor Bresnahan agrees
- 14 with this, is that optimism is, in fact, a very common
- 15 element of the posture of parties in the context of
- 16 negotiating over the settlement of patent litigation.
- 17 Q. Dr. Willig, I meant that -- we can just take
- 18 this chart. Are you aware of any case where an
- optimistic generic and a risk averse incumbent were
- 20 unable to settle a patent case because they were not
- able to pay net consideration?
- 22 A. No, I'm not aware of any circumstance like
- 23 that, but I am aware of a wide array of circumstances,
- 24 including those in this case, where the forces that are
- being analyzed here are absolutely applicable.

- 1 MS. CREIGHTON: No further questions.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Redirect?
- 3 MR. SCHILDKRAUT: No questions.
- 4 MR. GIDLEY: Yes, Your Honor, behind the board,
- 5 briefly. Very briefly, Your Honor.
- 6 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MR. GIDLEY:
- 8 Q. Dr. Willig, within the last hour, you were
- 9 asked a question the thrust of which went to the
- 10 following topic:
- 11 Is there judicial or antitrust enforcement
- official experience with the weighing of the pro and
- anti-competitive effects of various agreements,
- including the kinds of settlement agreements in this
- 15 case. Do you recall that topic on cross examination?
- 16 A. Yes, I do.
- 17 Q. And at one point you were asked a question
- about whether or not there was sufficient experience in
- 19 general with applying a rule of reason in which pro and
- 20 anti-competitive effects were balanced and weighed, and
- 21 you were cut off, and I would like you to finish the
- answer that you had in mind.
- MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor. I did
- 24 not, in fact, ask a general question about rule of
- 25 reason, and the reason I cut off the witness was I was

- 1 trying to limit the question specifically to the
- 2 payment of net consideration in settlements.
- MR. GIDLEY: Your Honor, I'm just trying to
- 4 reference the question. I think we were all here, and
- 5 at one point -- it's the question where Susan said,
- 6 "Marc can stand up and ask you for the rest of your
- 7 answer," and I just happen to be the other Mark Your
- 8 Honor, and I'm just trying to find the question in the
- 9 last hour and cue it up for the witness.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Ms. Creighton, I understand
- 11 you're clarifying the record. Do you object to the
- 12 question otherwise?
- MS. CREIGHTON: Not if the witness is just
- being permitted to continue his answer, no.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you.
- BY MR. GIDLEY:
- Q. Let's start there, Dr. Willig. You were asked
- 18 a question by Ms. Creighton, and she cut you off and
- 19 said to let Marc get the rest of your answer. Could we
- 20 get the rest of your answer, sir?
- 21 A. Thank you, and thank you for reminding us that
- 22 you are also the Mark.
- The important point that I think is worthwhile
- 24 making at this juncture is that while there is not, to
- 25 my knowledge, a great deal of experience in the

1 antitrust agencies and perhaps even in the courts in

- 2 weighing the pros and cons of the different features,
- 3 including net consideration, that might arise in an
- 4 agreement to settle an underlying patent dispute, and
- 5 while it may seem somewhat daunting in thinking about
- 6 the challenges that would face antitrust agencies and
- 7 antitrust fact finders in sorting out the pros and the
- 8 cons, nevertheless, I understand that there is a great
- 9 deal of judicial and agency experience in dealing with
- 10 the weighing of such pros and cons entailing agreements
- 11 between firms who might be competitors and who might in
- 12 some sense otherwise find common ground that would be
- socially beneficial, including beneficial to consumers,
- 14 not to say that these are not challenging cases and not
- to say that a great deal of experience is needed to be
- 16 developed both by the agencies and by the courts to
- deal with these challenges reliably and well.
- But nevertheless, our understanding, the
- 19 economists' understanding of antitrust enforcement, is
- 20 that Section 2, our antitrust agencies and the courts
- 21 are basically up to the challenge. The answer is
- 22 certainly not -- when such a challenge is seen to be
- somewhat daunting, the answer is not to replace
- full-blown, appropriate, pro-consumer Section 2
- analysis with some per se bright line rule which is

- 1 understood to have very seriously possible negative
- 2 consequences for the economy generally, including
- 3 possible negative influences on consumers' interests,
- 4 and that's I think the situation that we're facing in
- 5 this area in this case at this time.
- Q. Sir, do you have an understanding that the
- 7 antitrust agencies have many years of experience in
- 8 applying the rule of reason?
- 9 A. To my knowledge, absolutely the case, yeah.
- 10 Q. How about the courts, in your years both in the
- 11 Government and now outside of Government in academia,
- 12 do you have the same understanding about the federal
- 13 courts in this country?
- 14 A. Yes, the courts, too, have a long experience in
- dealing with the ambiguities that necessarily come up
- in applying Section 2 to business arrangements.
- 17 Q. You were asked a variety of questions about
- 18 your credentials in various areas, such as negotiation
- and your ability to craft rules for intellectual
- 20 property. I want to just generally talk about your own
- 21 background.
- 22 Sir, do you have any background in assisting
- 23 the Government agencies with fashioning antitrust
- 24 policy in terms of guidelines?
- 25 MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor, this

- 1 would seem to go beyond the scope of cross.
- 2 MR. GIDLEY: I don't believe so, Your Honor.
- 3 The implication of the questions and some of the
- 4 express terms of the questions and the answers were
- 5 exactly on whether or not Dr. Willig had the kind of
- 6 experience that would be relevant in this proceeding.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: So, what are you trying to do,
- 8 lay a foundation after the fact?
- 9 MR. GIDLEY: No, Your Honor, I'm simply trying
- 10 to rehabilitate the witness or make clear in our paper
- 11 record what this witness' background is that's
- 12 applicable to the dispute in question.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'll overrule the objection at
- 14 this time. Let's see where he's going.
- 15 THE WITNESS: In the early eighties, I was
- 16 asked by officials at the Antitrust Division of the
- 17 Department of Justice to be part of the process of
- reviewing early drafts of what later became the 1982,
- 19 the 1984 merger guidelines, and then later on in my own
- 20 time in office as Deputy Assistant Attorney General in
- 21 the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of
- Justice, one of my principal responsibilities was, in
- fact, to draft, to create the updated version of the
- 24 FTC and DOJ horizontal merger guidelines by making use
- of the best economics and the experience of the

1 agencies over the course of enforcement of the Sherman

- 2 and the Clayton Acts.
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 It's not easy to do guidelines, but it's of
- 4 exceptionally great importance to be open to the
- 5 complexities that appropriate guidelines require and to
- 6 steer very, very clear of falling prey to some sort of
- 7 despair at the complexities and going to an entirely
- 8 inappropriate per se inflexible rule instead. The
- 9 agencies have shown that they are up to the task both
- in terms of merger guidelines, in terms of intellectual
- 11 property guidelines, which also take on such
- 12 complexities, and now also the competitor collaboration
- guidelines of the FTC and the Department of Justice,
- 14 all of those guidelines dealing with the same kinds of
- 15 complexities and ambiguities that we see in cases of
- 16 this kind, and yet in each of those instances, the
- 17 appropriate reaction of the agencies is to steer clear
- of inappropriate inflexibility, use their experience,
- 19 use their analysis, and come up with textured
- 20 quidelines that make sense for the issues at hand.
- 21 MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, I would move to
- 22 strike the witness' answer starting from line 36. It's
- 23 not responsive to the question, which was about his
- 24 background.
- 25 MR. GIDLEY: May I respond, Your Honor?

1 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'm disregarding everything

- 2 after "course of enforcement of the Sherman and the
- 3 Clayton Acts."
- 4 MS. CREIGHTON: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 5 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Next question.
- 6 BY MR. GIDLEY:
- 7 Q. Dr. Willig, you were asked a series of
- 8 questions about Dr. Ordover. Did Dr. Ordover agree
- 9 with the Bresnahan test?
- 10 MS. CREIGHTON: Objection, Your Honor, I think
- 11 the witness stated that he couldn't recall, so I asked
- 12 him no questions about the document, about Professor
- 13 Ordover's opinions.
- 14 MR. GIDLEY: I'm ready on that, Your Honor.
- 15 The quotes from the realtime transcript at page 238 and
- 16 239 are as follows.
- "I do recall reviewing something of this
- 18 character, " when he was shown the report, and "I
- 19 recognize the hand of professor Ordover." My question
- 20 asked does he remember Ordover's overall conclusion.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Overruled.
- MS. CREIGHTON: Your Honor, I guess I would
- 23 further object in that it's beyond the scope.
- MR. GIDLEY: She showed him --
- 25 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I think he just indicated it's

- 1 within the scope. Overruled.
- THE WITNESS: My recollection of the parts of
- 3 my review of Ordover's work is that my reaction was
- 4 finding that he did, indeed, agree with me in my
- 5 reaction that Professor Bresnahan's test was dangerous
- 6 and inappropriate, and I think in terms of general
- 7 conclusions, he did come out in the same place that I
- 8 did.
- 9 MR. GIDLEY: All right, we're close to the end,
- 10 so just bear with me --
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I know, you did say very
- 12 briefly, I think, when you --
- MR. GIDLEY: I have two more "very brieflies,"
- 14 Your Honor.
- 15 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
- BY MR. GIDLEY:
- 17 Q. All right, I have put on the screen without the
- assistance of my right hand, Raj Malik, a quote from
- 19 the Shapiro document that Ms. Creighton published to
- 20 you earlier today. Do you recall seeing the document
- 21 earlier today in the exam?
- 22 A. I do.
- Q. I want to direct your attention to the first
- 24 highlighted paragraph. Are you able to make it out
- 25 there?

- 1 A. It's not easy.
- Q. I'll try to hold it flat.
- 3 A. Oh, that's better.
- Q. And I will read it out loud. Again, this is
- 5 from this March 20, 2001 Carl Shapiro document, CX 708,
- 6 at page 10:
- 7 "Since disputes tend to arise when there are
- 8 conflicting views of success at trial, it may be
- 9 necessary to find 'win-win' approaches, i.e., mutually
- 10 beneficial trades, to break the deadlock. In fact,
- some of the most effective and creative negotiators
- work their art not by haggling simply over price, but
- by looking along multiple dimensions for ways in which
- 14 the parties to the dispute can trade with each other
- for mutual benefit. I hope the Commission would agree
- 16 that prohibiting litigants from trading non-financial
- 17 assets and making side deals as part of a patent
- 18 settlement would greatly impair the settlement process.
- 19 For example, virtually all cross-licenses could be
- 20 swept up in such a rule."
- Do you see that passage, sir?
- 22 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And sir, do you agree with the views of Dr.
- 24 Shapiro in connection with the views he expressed in
- 25 those sentences?

- 1 A. I do agree with almost all of the material you
- 2 read. The last sentence, however, "For example,
- 3 virtually all cross-licenses could be swept up in such
- 4 a rule," goes beyond the material that I feel secure in
- 5 endorsing here.
- Q. Well, let me just make sure that I'm clear.
- 7 Could you agree, sir, that in general, you would hope
- 8 that the FTC would agree that prohibiting litigants
- 9 from trading nonfinancial assets and making side deals
- 10 as part of a patent settlement would greatly impair the
- 11 settlement process?
- 12 A. Yes, I do agree with that.
- 13 Q. All right. Finally, sir, just down on the same
- page, Dr. Shapiro wrote in March of last year, a year
- 15 ago:
- 16 "This approach would, in my opinion, be far
- 17 superior to the approach that staff seems to be
- advocating to flatly prohibit parties involved in
- 19 patent litigation from finding creative ways to resolve
- their disputes by engaging in mutually beneficial
- 21 trades to smooth the settlement process. Such an
- 22 inflexible and blunderbuss policy would greatly impede
- 23 the settlement of patent disputes, and would block many
- 24 pro-competitive settlements."
- Do you see that language?

- 1 A. I do.
- 2 Q. Do you agree with those two sentences?
- 3 A. I certainly agree with the portion that rejects
- 4 the approach of the staff as characterized by Shapiro
- 5 to be advocating flatly prohibiting parties involved in
- 6 patent litigation from finding creative ways to resolve
- 7 their disputes by engaging in mutually beneficial
- 8 trades to smooth the settlement process. I also agree
- 9 with the last sentence, "Such an inflexible and
- 10 blunderbuss policy --" yeah, I'll embrace those
- 11 adjectives " -- would greatly impede the settlement of
- 12 patent disputes, and would block many pro-competitive
- 13 settlements."
- Q. All right, it's late, and here's the last
- 15 question. I want to show you an excerpt, Dr. Willig --
- 16 sorry for the orange, I didn't know you were color
- 17 blind, I apologize -- but do you see, sir, the sentence
- 18 that we've yellow highlighted -- just a second -- this
- 19 is from the FTC's trial brief which was written in
- 20 January of this year.
- "This case does not challenge the settlement of
- 22 patent disputes by an agreement on a date of entry,
- 23 standing alone, or the payment of fair market value in
- connection with 'side deals' to such an agreement."
- Do you see that language?

- 1 A. Yes, I do.
- 2 Q. The second part of the sentence, that the FTC
- 3 in this case does not challenge the payment of fair
- 4 market value in connection with side deals to such an
- 5 agreement, do you agree with that view?
- A. I agree that that is a wise decision if that
- 7 is, indeed, the decision of complaint counsel.
- 8 MR. GIDLEY: No further questions, Your Honor.
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Recross?
- 10 MS. CREIGHTON: Just on one subject, Your
- Honor.
- 12 RECROSS EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 14 Q. In stating that you agreed with Professor
- Ordover's general opinion, it was his opinion, wasn't
- 16 it, that a settlement that falls within the range
- 17 between the generic's estimate of its entry date and
- 18 the incumbent's estimate of its entry date, within that
- 19 range settlements should be prima facie reasonable,
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. I think that takes us back to what you asked me
- 22 about before, was that paragraph 20 or so?
- Q. Well, is that the opinion that you were
- 24 referring to?
- 25 A. No, no, that's the part actually that I don't

- 1 recall freshly enough to testify about today. What I
- 2 was remarking about in my answer to the questions of
- 3 Mr. Gidley had to do with the overarching conclusions
- 4 in the first few pages of that document that you showed
- 5 me. It was those paragraphs in the early few pages
- 6 that I just reviewed as you were showing me the
- 7 document and that reminded me that I had, indeed, seen
- 8 paragraphs much like those or exactly those at some
- 9 time in the past, and it was those paragraphs that I
- 10 recall as being properly characterized in my own mind
- as Professor Ordover basically agreeing with me in
- 12 first of all rejecting Professor Bresnahan's so-called
- rule and also agreeing with me that that rule would be
- dangerous because there do exist substantial
- 15 circumstances where using net consideration as a tool
- 16 for helping to settle patent disputes is a good thing
- for consumers and a good thing for the economy.
- 18 Q. In paragraph 20, Professor Ordover says, "It is
- my view that an entry date reached through a settlement
- 20 that falls within such a range," he's talking about
- 21 between the parties' two estimated entry dates, "should
- be considered as being prima facie reasonable. An
- entry date reached through a settlement that lies
- outside of this range might be seen as 'lengthening'
- 25 the expected 'legitimate' life of the patent."

- 1 Do you agree with that?
- MR. SCHILDKRAUT: Objection, Your Honor, asked
- 3 and answered.
- 4 JUDGE CHAPPELL: We'll hear it again.
- 5 Overruled.
- THE WITNESS: I'm just not clear enough on what
- 7 he's saying with those words outside of the context
- 8 that I don't recall as I sit here to be able to say
- 9 whether I agree with him when he says those words or
- 10 not.
- 11 BY MS. CREIGHTON:
- 12 Q. If he were saying that a settlement that lies
- later than either party's subjective estimate of their
- 14 entry date under litigation should be presumed to be
- anti-competitive, you would agree or disagree with
- 16 that?
- 17 A. I can't accept the context for what conclusion
- he's drawing based on what assumptions. I mean, I've
- 19 got analyses that we've been through today where
- 20 because of the third-party entry date or because of
- 21 signaling, there's other applicable regions where the
- 22 settlements are clearly pro-consumer, and I'm not sure
- 23 if he's deliberately assuming those kinds of
- 24 circumstances away or -- I just don't recall the
- 25 setting for the reading of paragraph 20 clearly enough

1 to tell you as I sit here whether I agree with him in

- 2 that respect or not.
- Q. Okay. So, a rule that said you can't have an
- 4 entry date later than either party expects under
- 5 litigation, that would be a rule you would reject,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. That would be a rule that I would what?
- 8 Q. Reject.
- 9 A. I didn't say that. I said I can't come to
- 10 grips with that without understanding the surrounding
- 11 context, and therefore, I can't answer your question as
- I sit here, because I don't know the surrounding
- 13 context.
- MS. CREIGHTON: No further questions.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Anything else?
- 16 MR. GIDLEY: No further questions, Your Honor.
- 17 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Thank you, Dr. Willig, you're
- 18 excused.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Mr. Curran?
- MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, may I be so bold as to
- raise a housekeeping matter? We discussed the possible
- 23 acceleration of briefing with regard to our motion on
- 24 rebuttal witnesses.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.

1 MR. CURRAN: And Your Honor, I believe,

- 2 suggested the possibility of an argument on that matter
- 3 perhaps on Tuesday?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Tuesday afternoon, yes.
- 5 MR. CURRAN: I wanted to raise that, Your
- 6 Honor, because we have been given notice that complaint
- 7 counsel's first proffered rebuttal witness who was
- 8 noticed for Wednesday of next week is among the
- 9 rebuttal witnesses that we are challenging. So, moving
- 10 quicker rather than slower on that motion may be
- 11 appropriate.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Ms. Bokat, you're up.
- MS. BOKAT: Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: When can you have a written
- 15 response to this motion?
- 16 MS. BOKAT: Well, it's an important motion.
- 17 We're certainly not proposing to ask the Court for a
- 18 whole ten days, but the motion seems to seek to strike
- 19 six or maybe seven of our rebuttal witnesses. So, we
- 20 do need time to adequately answer that.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Well, since we don't have any
- 22 witnesses Monday and Tuesday, I'm going to need
- 23 something Monday -- I'm going to need something Tuesday
- 24 morning by 10:30, because we're in the middle of trial,
- 25 this involves ongoing witnesses, and these are not

- 1 normal circumstances.
- MS. BOKAT: 10:30 Tuesday morning?
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 4 MS. BOKAT: The Court will have it.
- 5 JUDGE CHAPPELL: And I am going to hear oral
- 6 argument on this motion at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday right
- 7 here. Any problem with that?
- 8 MS. BOKAT: Not from complaint counsel.
- 9 MR. CURRAN: Not at all, Your Honor. Thank you
- 10 very much.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I'll also hear oral argument
- 12 on the -- what's the final title -- the motion to
- 13 dismiss?
- 14 MR. CURRAN: That is what we titled it.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Directed verdict, what is it?
- 16 MR. CURRAN: It's called a motion to dismiss.
- 17 I think colloquially it might be called motion for
- 18 directed verdict.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, I will also hear that on
- 20 Tuesday.
- 21 MS. BOKAT: Your Honor, on that motion, I think
- 22 we've already had oral argument on it at the conclusion
- 23 of complaint --
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Well, I think we had partial
- 25 argument on that. I'd have to go back and check. I

- don't remember over 6000 pages, but I know that they
- 2 attempted to argue it. I know I heard partial argument
- 3 on it. Now that I have the briefs, I'll allow
- 4 argument -- further argument on it, not lengthy
- 5 argument, summarized argument.
- 6 MR. CURRAN: Very good, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: Anything further?
- 8 Mr. Nields, you're rising as if you are going
- 9 to speak.
- 10 MR. NIELDS: I was rising, hopefully I will
- 11 speak if the Court will -- is willing to hear me.
- 12 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay.
- MR. NIELDS: Just very briefly, Your Honor, I
- 14 think Mr. Curran indicated, and perhaps I did earlier,
- 15 that this concludes the -- our last witness I think for
- both of us. We do have document issues that we're
- 17 still in discussion with complaint counsel about.
- We're hopeful we can reach agreement. If we can't, we
- 19 will need to bring them to the Court's attention for
- 20 the Court's decision. We're perfectly prepared to do
- 21 that either before or after the 2:00 on Tuesday
- 22 argument. We would be prepared to address it earlier
- than that, too, at the Court's pleasure.
- JUDGE CHAPPELL: I want to allow complaint
- 25 counsel to focus on their written response to the

1 pending motion, so that that's -- that's something that

- 2 I will -- I will consider that at the hearing Tuesday
- 3 afternoon.
- 4 MR. NIELDS: Excellent. Thank you, Your Honor.
- 5 MR. CURRAN: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 6 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, we're adjourned --
- 7 MS. BOKAT: Your Honor, with trepidation, could
- 8 I raise one thing very briefly?
- 9 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Yes.
- 10 MS. BOKAT: I just wanted to alert the Court
- 11 that complaint counsel filed a motion today, and I give
- 12 courtesy copies to respondents' counsel, to add one
- 13 rebuttal witness. I'm not asking for a ruling from
- Your Honor, and I'm not asking for a response from
- 15 respondents' counsel, but I just wanted to be
- 16 aboveboard and let the Court know what we are doing.
- 17 MR. CURRAN: Your Honor, we're comfortable
- addressing this at 2:00 on Tuesday, and we can have a
- 19 brief responding to this by 10:30 Tuesday morning.
- 20 JUDGE CHAPPELL: Okay, and let me give you a
- 21 little bit of my philosophy on responding to these
- 22 motions, Ms. Bokat, because you're the one who doesn't
- have your ten days to respond. Under normal
- 24 circumstances, a written motion, you would have ten
- 25 days to respond. During trial, I consider a written

1 motion to be a courtesy so that I don't have to hear

- 2 something on the fly in the middle of trial and deal
- 3 with it that day. So, things are just not normal when
- 4 we're in the middle of a hearing or a trial. That's
- 5 why I need to expedite your response, and hopefully I
- 6 can get a ruling to you late Tuesday so that either all
- 7 the witnesses come or they don't come, and I can save
- 8 some unavoidable travel if that's the way it goes.
- 9 Anything further?
- 10 MR. CURRAN: Thank you for indulging us on a
- 11 Friday afternoon, Your Honor.
- 12 JUDGE CHAPPELL: I quess that leave early on
- 13 Friday rule is just gone.
- Okay, we are adjourned until 2:00 p.m. Tuesday.
- 15 Thank you, have a good weekend.
- MR. GIDLEY: Thank you.
- 17 MR. NIELDS: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 18 (Whereupon, at 6:00 p.m., the hearing was
- 19 adjourned.)

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